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WHITEAWAY'S

HITLER-FRANCO MEETING ON SPANISH BORDER

Special to the "Telegraph"

It is officially revealed that Herr Hitler conversed with General Franco on the Franco-Spanish border to-day, says a "United Press" message from Berlin, while, according to a Vichy report, M. Laval has received an invitation from Hitler to attend a four-men conference. Those taking part will be Hitler, Ribbentrop, Petain and Laval, and the venue will be somewhere in France at an early date.

Another Vichy report says that after his interview with Hitler on Tuesday, M. Laval returned to Vichy where he conferred with Marshal Petain. Afterwards he left immediately for Paris.

Following his talks at Fontainebleau M. Laval returned to Paris last night and then went on to Vichy to report the details of his conversations with Hitler.

During this talk with Petain other Ministers were called in for brief consultations on technical matters.

M. Laval also had a brief conversation with the Spanish Ambassador at Vichy yesterday.

Then he started on his journey to Paris but had to turn back after 90 minutes owing to fog. He will resume the trip to-day.

It is understood that M. Laval's first talk with Hitler was wholly of a preparatory nature in which Hitler expressed his willingness to meet Marshal Petain to discuss problems for the termination of the state of war between Germany and France.

One of the major questions of the pending conversations between Hitler and Laval is the liberation of the 1,800,000 French prisoners of war. It was stated in Vichy yesterday that the Foreign Minister, M. Paul Baudouin, in an official and exclusive announcement to the "United Press" declared: "I authorise you to state that all idea of military action was excluded when Laval met Hitler."

Frontier Meeting
Madrid, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The German wireless announces that Herr Hitler and General Franco, accompanied by Herr von Ribbentrop and Senor Sumner, their respective Foreign Ministers, arrived at the Franco-Spanish frontier and they may be in conference there.

France's Air Force
London, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The present effective strength of the French Air Force in North Africa is believed to be no more than 500 modern planes.

Other aircraft of this fleet which was estimated by one source originally at 1,200 strong, are thought to be obsolete. Most of the planes are based in Morocco. Reserves and spare parts are lacking.

The Bern report that France's North African Air Force figured in the demand reported to have been made recently on the Vichy Government is interesting in the light of these estimates and they may give a clue to the methods by which the Axis Powers had hoped to get Petain to toe the line.

It is possible that the fate of this air force was raised as an additional

PEER ATTACKS H. G. WELLS

Not Fit To Speak For U.K.

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"I think it is dangerous to allow a man of this type to go to America," declared Lord Winterton in the House of Commons to-day when, in a lengthy attack on H. G. Wells, he questioned the propriety of wells being granted an exit permit in order to carry on a lecture tour in the United States.

Lord Winterton referred to Wells' reference to Lord Halifax as the "quintessence of everything an Englishman should not be" and Wells' description of Lord Gort as "our praying General."

Lord Winterton added: "I happen to be an extensive reader of Addison, Steel and Pope. I can imagine one of them saying of this attack, 'Sir, these are indecent words, nay, they are worse, they are blackguardly.'"

Wells, Lord Winterton continued, had for years been attacking our religion and constitution. Here Lord Winterton referred to an occasion when he (Lord Winterton) was present at a lunch in America at a meeting of an Inter-Governmental Committee. "There were present the Governor of New York State and also the Roman Catholic Archbishop of the Eastern States, the Mayor of New York—himself a devout Catholic—and representatives of the Episcopal Church, the Methodist Church and the Jewish religion."

"I was struck with the fact that throughout the very eloquent speeches there ran a very strong feeling of unity of the different faiths, and yet we allow Wells to go to the United States as a representative of Britain and British literature—a man who prides himself as being an opponent of all religions and who says there is no such thing."

A Sixth Column

Lord Winterton added: "There is another and more sinister explanation of Wells' conduct. France was not only betrayed by her Laval and other traitors of the Right or by Communists of the Left. There was another class of 'sixth columnists' who for years past had tried to shape the fate of Frenchmen in all the spiritual and material institutions of France. These people, like Wells, professed a hatred of Nazi-Ism and they abused and insulted their fellow countrymen. Like Wells, they believed in nothing and nobody."

Capl. O. Penke, Under-Secretary of State for Home Affairs, declared that the grant of an exit permit did not give any sort of official standing or status.

Those Against
These proposals the newspaper says were submitted and examined at a special meeting of the Vichy Government and, following agitated discussion, were rejected by a majority. Marshal Petain and General Weygand, supported by several other Ministers, spoke against acceptance.

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Laval and Baudouin, Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister respectively, TURN to Page 5, Column Two

SAVAGERY OF THE NAZIS

The savagery of the Nazi air raiders over Britain cannot be better illustrated than by these two pictures taken after a recent raid. One shows the remains of a ward in a Kentish hospital after a bomb had scored a direct hit, and the other the damaged exterior of a church in the London area.



ISOLATED ATTACKS

By Nazi Raiders

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Enemy air activity to-day has been confined to a few isolated attacks by single aircraft.

Bombs were dropped on a town of the south coast and on two places in the London area. Damage was slight and there were casualties only in one London area.

More Sleep For Londoners
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Between 80 and 90 per cent of London's population are obtaining more sleep to-day during air raids than they were a month ago, it is learned from Government investigations.

There is less grumbling at the inconvenience of air attacks, though these have intensified. There are no signs that the courage of the people is declining, but in the opinion of neutral observers, it is steadily increasing.

Berlin Children Evacuated
Stockholm, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Arrangements have been made for 75 special trains to take children from Berlin under the Government's voluntary evacuation scheme, states the Berlin correspondent of the "Aftenbladet."

STORY OF A NAZI INVASION WHICH NEVER CAME OFF

LONDON, Oct. 23, (Reuter).—Details of Hitler's preparations for invasion of England were disclosed officially to-night.

The Air Ministry news service points out that only part of the story can as yet be told, but this part shows that from the first day that the enemy concentrated his forces in every available port and harbour, the R.A.F. carried out reconnaissances.

In the early days of September, the reports of these aircraft brought back showed only small concentrations of men and material, but as time passed they became more and more imposing, and before long hundreds of barges and other war materials were assembled at Antwerp, Calais, Dunkirk and Ostend.

Many barges were observed from the air daily to be moving slowly from one canal to another. Small warships were also moved near the barges. These barges were self-propelled, over 150 feet in length and each capable of carrying about two train-loads of men or material.

It was also known that Germany had commandeered every available barge of over 500 tons and armies of workmen were employed in shipyards altering the bows of these vessels to enable tanks to be easily carried and disembarked.

Besides concentrations of barges, there were also submarines in many harbours—some of ocean-going type—large motor vessels, tugs and merchant ships. Forty-five merchant ships were reported at Le Havre on one occasion.

Inland new aircraft shelters were being built on many aerodromes from which it was expected that enemy aircraft would assist in the invasion. Railways too were particularly busy, especially between Germany and the Low Countries.

Thwarted By R.A.F.
It was on September 5 that a strong R.A.F. offensive against the enemy was begun. Each invasion base in turn came in for heavy bombardment. Naval docks and shipbuilding yards at Kiel, Hamburg and Bremen were bombed as well, and extensive damage was also done to occupied ports along the Dutch and Belgian coasts.

The Air Ministry news service emphasized that until lately it would

LATEST

Courageous Watchman

Despite being shot in the hand, a courageous Chinese watchman, Chan Cheung, of the Cheung King Timber Yard, Cheungshawan, chased and caught two of three suspects while on duty yesterday morning.

The alarm was raised from a neighbouring junk yard when three men, after being questioned, jumped into the water, swam ashore and tried to run off.

See Back Page For Further Late News

Good Trade Figures To Help Us Win The War

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Despite intensification of enemy activity, the export of United Kingdom goods was fully maintained in September.

This was the most notable feature of the trade returns issued to-day.

The average value of exports per working day in September actually exceeded the corresponding figure for August. The total exports of United Kingdom goods in September amounted to £31,100,000, which substantially exceeded the total of £23,000,000 in September, 1939.

After a year of war, overseas trade figures testify to the success of the British Export Council's efforts to find and develop alternative markets in view of the prevailing European conditions.

During the six months ended August 31 this year, the United Kingdom's exports to countries outside Europe and the Mediterranean area had been above the year earlier. The aggregate increase for the period is £30,000,000, or about 20 per cent.

Burma Rd. Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Oct. 23 (UP).—It is reliably reported that about ten Japanese planes again bombed points between Mengto and Kooliu in Yunnan to-day, but details are lacking.

The air raid alarm was sounded in Kunming from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

U.S. Is Prepared To Defend Philippines

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (UP).—The Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, to-day declared that the United States navy is prepared to defend any territory under the American flag.

He expressed his belief that the United States had a "moral obligation" to help South America to defend itself. He revealed that the navy had already shipped guns, equipment and supplies to several nations, but so far no ships had been sent to any of the South American countries.

Colonel Knox said: "We can defend anything and we are not indifferent to the security of land anywhere under the American flag."

The statement came in reply to questions concerning the navy's intentions of defending the Philippines and other outlying Pacific possessions including Guam, Wake and Midway Islands. "While these territories are

Grave Danger

BALTIMORE, Oct. 23 (UP).—The Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner-Wellers to-day declared that the entire Western Hemisphere "at this moment is in grave danger and must be prepared to make such sacrifices as may be required in the common interest to consummate the solidarity of the Western Hemisphere, the need of which is the greatest in history."

He reaffirmed that "the Government's 80-year-long good neighbour policy was based on the necessity for

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Hitler Would Give Indo-China To Japan

ZURICH, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Axis Powers recently laid the following proposals before the Vichy Government according to reports to the newspaper "Volksrecht" from Berne.

1. France to hand over Alsace Lorraine to Germany and Nice to Italy.
2. Tunis to be divided between France and Italy; Algeria to remain French.
3. France to hand the northern part of Morocco to Spain.
4. The remaining French African Colonies to be jointly administered and exploited by France, Germany and Italy.
5. France to hand Indo-China to Japan.
6. France to place her Mediterranean Fleet and the Air Force stationed in North Africa at the disposal of Germany for use against Britain.
7. If these conditions were accepted, Germany would evacuate the major part of occupied France except for the Channel ports and

the so-called closed areas from the Swiss frontier across Burgundy to the Belgian frontier and the Somme.

These proposals the newspaper says were submitted and examined at a special meeting of the Vichy Government and, following agitated discussion, were rejected by a majority. Marshal Petain and General Weygand, supported by several other Ministers, spoke against acceptance.

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LOST.

LOST: Horn Rimmed Spectacles, Parisian Grill, Saturday, 10/10/40. Reward return Box 588, "Hongkong Telegraph."

London, Oct. 23.
The death has occurred of General Sir Charles Harrington, former Governor of Gibraltar. Reuter.

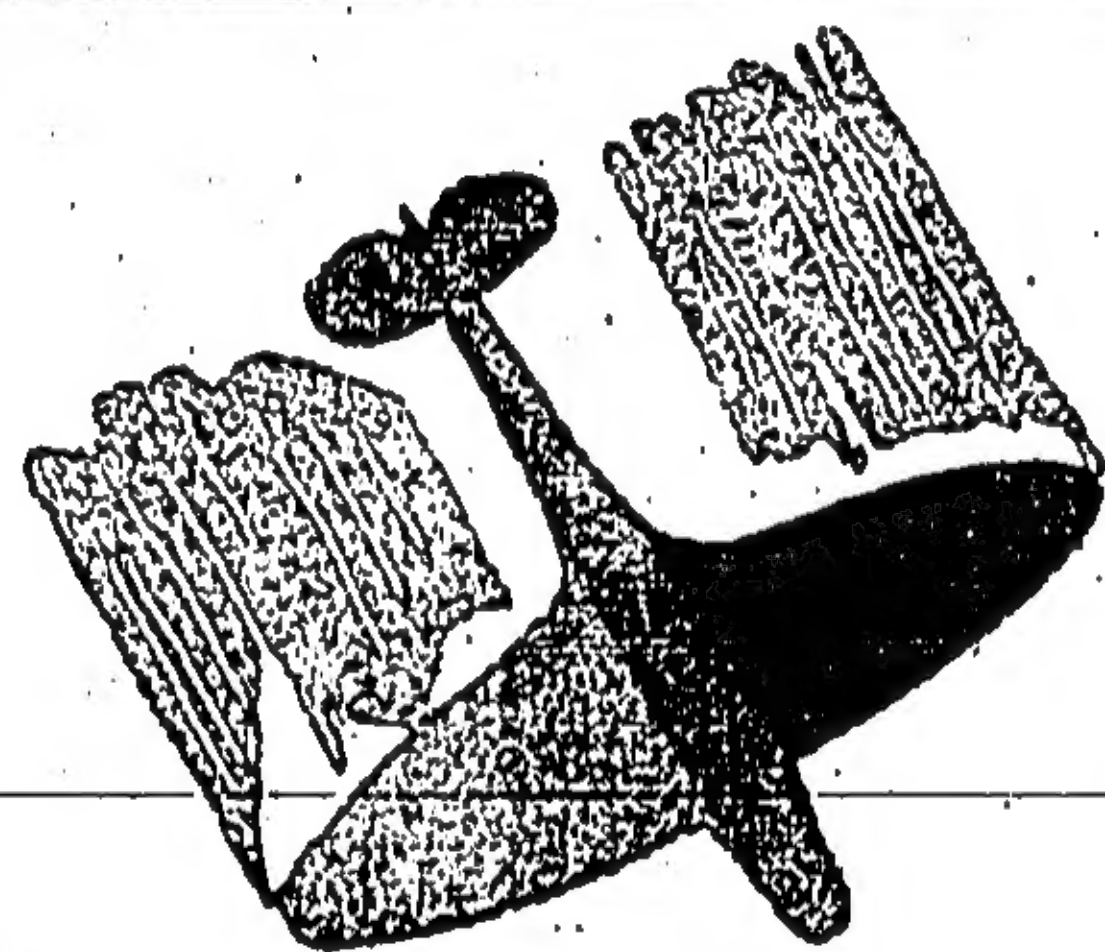
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(Readers are invited to send in suggestions to fill this space.)

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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A. K. MACKENZIE,
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NOTICE

The Inland Revenue Department will be removed to Windsor House, 6th floor, on Saturday, the 26th October.

The Estate Duty and Stamp Offices will be closed for business on the 26th, and will re-open at the new address on Monday, the 28th October.

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Brooklands Ace Dies Flying

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Mr. Richard Ormonde Shuttleworth, chairman of Rallion Cars, Ltd., and one of the best-known racing motorists in the country, has been killed in a flying accident. He joined the R.A.F. early this year. Before the war he owned a fleet of airplanes and a private airfield on his 6,500-acre estate near Biggleswade, Beds. He was thirty-one, and unmarried.



FRANCE'S NEW MOTTO—"Patrie, Famille, Travail"—nation, family, work, is now motto being taught these youngsters at school near Vichy, France. Motto replaces famed one of French Republic, "Liberte, Egalite, Fraternite."

MURDER AND TYPHOON

Eventful Pacific Crossing
By Coolidge

Shanghai, Oct. 23.
A mysterious murder, a typhoon which injured a score or so of people and receipt of the startling news of the American evacuation were some of the events which marked the voyage across the Pacific of the President Coolidge which arrived this morning.

Among the prominent passengers were Mr. Frank P. Lockhart, new American Consul-General at Shanghai, M. Jean Paul Boncour, newly appointed Consul-General to the French Embassy, who was formerly Premier of France, and M. Roland Joannin de Margerie, new French Consul-General.

The murder occurred the first night out from San Francisco when a middle-aged Chinese was found dead hanging by a rope in a washroom with head injuries obviously inflicted by someone else. At Honolulu F.B.I. detectives found he had been robbed of \$5,000.

When a typhoon struck the liner 600 miles from Yokohama many passengers suffered minor injuries and some were more seriously hurt.

Acute anxiety was caused aboard when news of the American evacuation was received.

Mrs. Lockhart and several other American women disembarked at Honolulu because of the advice—Reuter.

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A total of \$1,372,122.10 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd. The following are the latest donations:
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1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Sam Browne (Vocal) and Primo Scala's Accordion Band.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Ronald Courley (Piano) and "The Organ, The Dance Band and Me."

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.02 An hour of Popular Classics.

7.0 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Topical Talks.

7.30 Grace Moore (Soprano) and Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Piano Recital by Caroline Braga.

1. Si Oiseau J'Etals, A. Tol-Je Volera (Hensell); 2. Romance (Sibelius); 3. Arabesque No. 1 (Debussy); 4. Prelude in B Minor, Op. 28, No. 6 (Chopin); 5. Nocturne in D Flat Major, Op. 27, No. 2 (Chopin); 6. Valse in E Minor (Posthumous—Chopin).

8.25 Orchestra Selections.
8.45 Studio—Local Newsletter.
9.0 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.
9.30 Variety Programme.
10.0 An hour of Dance Music.
11.0 Close down.

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"I'll Settle With The Vichy Men"

De Gaulle's Reply To Death Penalty

General De Gaulle, Leader of all Free Frenchmen, was sentenced to death and military degradation by a military court sitting at Clermont Ferrand, in German-controlled France.

The court, composed of officers who, under Petain's Vichy Government, acquiesced in the surrender of the liberties of France to the Nazis, found General de Gaulle guilty of treason, attacks on the security of the State, and desertion to a foreign country in time of war.

The sentence includes confiscation of General de Gaulle's possessions. This was the general's reply when told at his headquarters in Britain of the sentence.

"I consider the act of the men of Vichy as entirely void. I SHALL HAVE A SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNTS WITH THEM AFTER THE VICTORY."

The sentence is that of a court under the influence of the common enemy, who will one day be driven from the soil of France. On that day I will submit myself to the judgment of the people.

And now France has a "Star Chamber"—the newly established "Supreme Court of Justice," which is "to seek out and try all persons having committed crimes or failed in their duty in acts which brought France from a state of peace to a state of war."

M. Daladier, General Gamelin, M. Blum, M. Reynaud, M. Mahdel and many other former Ministers are likely to be tried.

Insurance And Raids— Test Case

War brings two new problems:

(1) Can you claim on your insurance company in respect of a theft from the house which you have evacuated?

(2) Must you pay the gas or electricity company if the slot-meter in your empty house has been rifled? Thefts from meters have been reported in the past few weeks in houses on the coast in some cases the amounts stolen have been substantial.

The meters contained a record of the gas or electricity used, and the companies are claiming the corresponding amounts from tenants—who are resisting the claims. The question of liability may now be made the subject of a test case in court.

"Enemy Act"

An official of one big gas company said that, generally, there are no contracts between supplying companies and users of slot meters. It is held that as soon as money is put in the meter it becomes the property of the company owning the meter.

Another question which the courts may have to decide is raised by cases of burglary in houses in defence areas.

Claims have been made on insurance companies in respect of thefts from houses which have been evacuated, and in some cases the claims have not been admitted.

The insurance companies concerned assert that their policies do not cover loss due to enemy action, and that it is only because of such action that the houses where the robberies have taken place were evacuated.

Crossword Puzzle

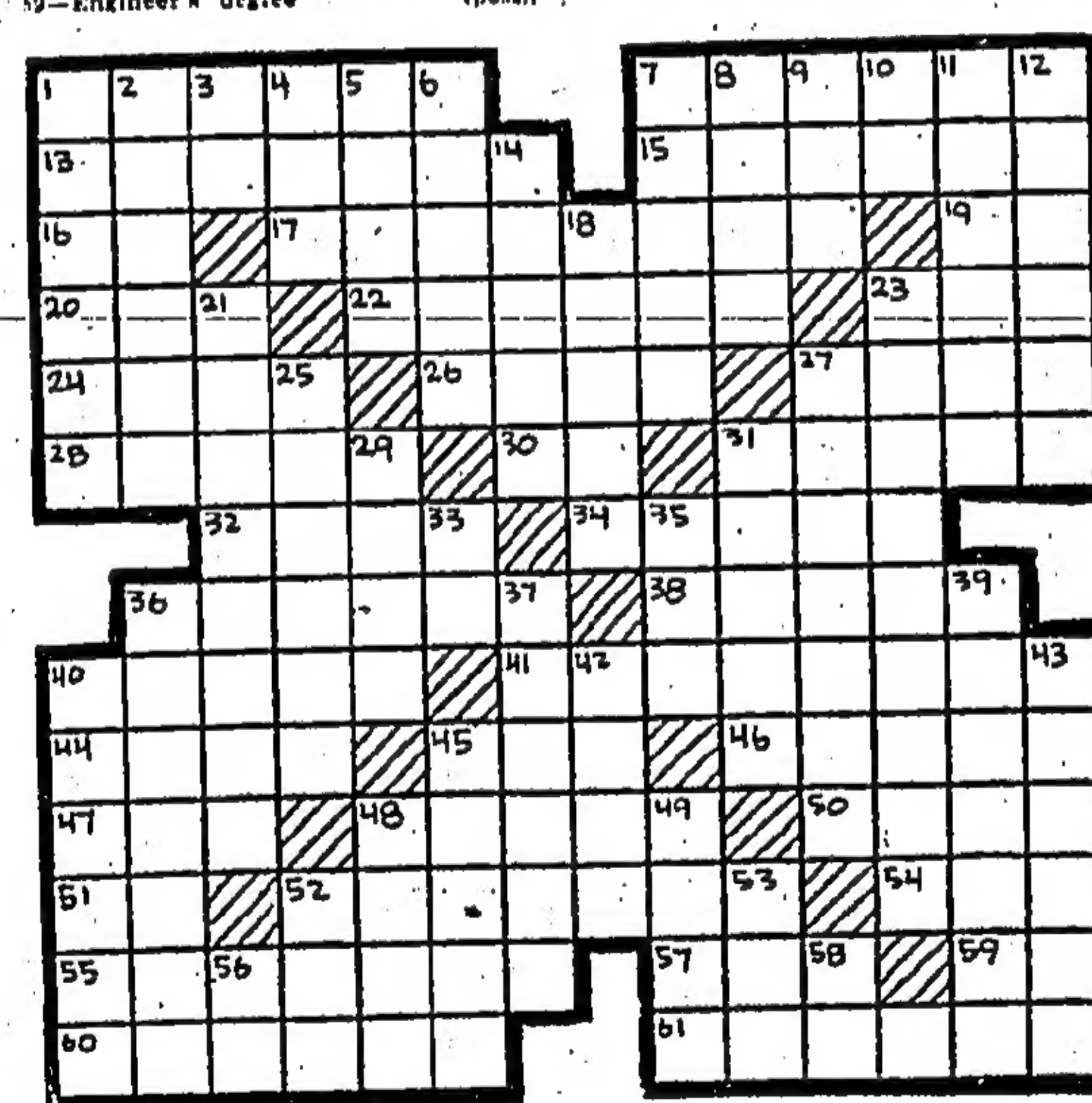
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- Decorative feather
- Flamingo
- One who deceys
- Continental (abbr.)
- Friend among trees
- Thou French
- Coccyzus abram
- Those who snub
- Frantic stone
- Melissae tiling
- Crow
- Preparatory school
- Admiral (obsolete)
- Jewish exclamation
- Back part
- Wine
- Pinkie
- Antient Roman fort
- Stuffed lips
- Makes believe
- Stainer
- Pipe residue
- Wrong
- Vegetal pin
- Almond (abbr.)
- Unit of electrical capacity
- Pounds, shillings, pence (abbr.)
- Used for sets
- Is situated
- Engineers' degree

DOWN

- Proceded
- Fabulous bird
- She (French)
- Thirteen to twenty
- Avoid work
- Swells
- Participial suffix
- Comrade point
- Wicks
- Chopped trees
- Wine
- Fall to follow suit
- Drifts
- Dwelling on grasses
- Uninspiring
- Compound
- Manageable
- Prices
- Read abbr.
- Kind of deer
- Dynamiter
- Breaks
- Counselled
- Was on fire
- Remainder
- American critic
- Friendship
- Man's name
- Ego
- Opposed (abbr.)
- Prefix through
- Dehold
- Summit: one who



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The Imperial Airways Service between Hongkong and Bangkok is temporarily suspended. Air mail correspondence will be accepted at the existing rates of postage and will be forwarded by the first opportunity by steamer to Singapore to connect with the east and west bound air services.

An air mail service providing a connection with British Overseas Airways at Rangoon will be available during the period of suspension of the Hongkong-Bangkok Service. The postage rates for all destinations will be \$1.50 per 1/2 oz. for letters and \$0.75 each for postcards. Mail for the service should be superscribed "Via Rangoon" and bear the usual blue air mail label.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

INWARD MAILS

Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 5th October)
Sundakan Oct. 24.
Svalov Oct. 25.
Formosa Oct. 26.
Java and Manila Oct. 26.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 4th October) Oct. 26.
Calcutta and Straits Oct. 27.
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OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mail are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day. When mails are advertised to close after 5 p.m., Registered and Parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 25
Macassar and Sourabaya .. 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

Kowloon P. O.
Reg. Oct. 25, 5.00 p.m.
Ord. Oct. 25, 5.30 p.m.

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Saturday, Oct. 26

Air Mail by Sea to Singapore to connect with the "British Overseas Airways."

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Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa. 10.20 a.m.
Manila, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa and United Kingdom. G.F.O. and R.F.O.

Parcels Oct. 26, 5 p.m.
Reg. Oct. 26, 5 p.m.
Ord. Oct. 26, 5.30 p.m.

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The Fifth Column

3 Demoralisation Caused French Debacle

By Col. William J. Donovan and Edgar Mower.

The masterpiece of the "fifth column" was unquestionably the French debacle. Here everything that Hitler had promised came to pass with almost mathematical precision.

He did not strike until he was in touch with certain important Frenchmen who were ready to treat with him. He needed but one swift blow.

He terrified the soldiers by his noise-making engines, he demoralised the officers by the surprise and power of his attacks, he bewildered the generals by the daring of his strategic conceptions, he troubled the entire population by his radio propaganda that insisted that France was being betrayed by Britain and by the French "war-mongers."

He spread horrible rumours through villages, issued fear-some reports by wireless, and then, when the populations had congested the roads in their flight, machine-gunned them to heighten their panic.

Meanwhile, his agents within France, presumably by clandestine wireless senders, kept him informed of what was going on and he could thus choose the precise moment for Italy's entrance into the war when French disarray was at its climax.

As a result France was not only beaten far more thoroughly and far more easily than Poland, but unlike Poland, France cracked morally as well as a new set of leaders sought to purchase the German's mercy, if not his respect, by submission to France's conquerors.

Admittedly this could not have been accomplished save during a low ebb in French history. The French masses were increasingly remembering the experiments of the Popular Front Government of 1936-37, the latter resentful of the attempted Fascist coup d'etat in 1934 and the unpunished "Cagouillard" Fascist conspiracy later.

Moreover, the peculiar French form of parliamentary government was creaking and the bulk of the people had lost nearly all faith in their leaders. This enabled Hitler (and Mussolini as well) to keep up propaganda pressure, often through the Communists, and prevent the output in the armament industries from ever reaching a satisfactory level.

The crucial test justified all Hitler's efforts: When the French soldiers had a chance of fighting on equal terms, they fought fairly well; when nothing but heroism could have made up for superior German equipment, the French infantry, repeatedly deserted by their officers, melted away.

What happened to the French officers? Simply this: For the most part they had

Third of a series of dispatches on "fifth column" activities in Europe as released by Secretary of Navy Frank Knox.

ceased to believe in freedom, democracy or any of the slogans which alone could galvanize the entire country.

While not exactly pro-Fascist (and certainly not pro-German), they were hostile to the Third Republic; many had come to believe that an authoritarian regime like that of Italy and Germany was really preferable.

It would, they thought, save the position of the privileged classes; and really save France from the disagreeable necessity of defending itself. If there was to be a war, then let it be against the Bolsheviks.

In other words, at least half and perhaps the majority of influential French citizens had come to believe what Hitler wanted them to believe.

How had Hitler accomplished this? By patient activity. For years his agents in France, Friedrich Sieburg the author, Otto Abetz, "pro-French" consuls like Nolde, many others, had "worked" the French leaders.

When necessary they were assisted by beautiful women: The Baroness von Einem, the Princess von Hohenlohe and others of lesser brilliance. They "got in" with certain of those leading French women who, at the moment of defeat, exercised such a devastating influence on certain French statesmen. They went everywhere, saw everybody, came to know everything, dipped into French politics through scandalously venal French newspapers.

To the weak and the cynical they preached defeatism; to the unsuccessful, hatred of the Jew; to all the possibility of living on good terms with Germany, if only France would break relations with the Bolsheviks and "money-minded" Britain, cease meddling in Central and Eastern Europe and propitiate the Italians by the gift of some "unimportant" French territories.

For years this sort of thing went on more or less in broad daylight. During the appeasement period the Germans were actually aided by certain members of the British Embassy in Paris.

Not until two months before the outbreak of the war did anyone dare to take action against the numerous German agents—and then the vacillating Daladier talked big and did little.

A hesitant officer class brought about sure defeat for the army. The army's defeat frightened the army leaders lest the soldiers seek scape-goats among the generals.

And a majority of cynical and cowardly politicians rushed their country into one of the most contemptible surrenders on record. Just as Adolf Hitler had said they would.

What of Hitler's "fifth column" in Great Britain? Short of the supreme test, it is impossible to say for sure. What is evident is that during the appeasement period, the Germans spun a web of friendship for Nazi Germany among the more gullible or dissatisfied members of the ruling class.

It is obviously a triumph in so proud a country as Britain to have created even so weak a satellite party as the British Union of Fascists. Organisations like The Link, the Anglo-German Fellowship, the Christian Fellowship, duped any number of highly placed Englishmen.

Female members of British society were induced to look kindly upon Hitler's aims by the flattering attention of handsome young German aristocrats. British visitors to Germany never lacked congenial guides.

The fact that the British police found it necessary to arrest a member of parliament, Captain Ramsay, on the charge of having transmitted to the German legation at Dublin treacherous information given him by Tyler Kent, cipher clerk at the American Embassy in London, would seem to show that some of the many finely spun threads from Berlin to London still remain. One hears hints of a persistent "pro-Germanism" in the London city.

But it must be stated emphatically that the vast majority of the British, unlike the French, underwent radical change of heart after it became apparent that Hitler, altho Chamberlain at Munich, altho ready to try to bribe the Nazis to be good with a Hudson-Wohlthat plan for economic concessions to Germany.

Moreover, with British patriotism at the white heat of to-day under threat of imminent invasion, the fact of confessed "fifth columnists" in Britain would be short and unenviable.

This time the British police were prepared for the war. At the opening of hostilities they jailed some 400 of the best German agents. Later raids tended to show that the backbone of the organisation was broken then. The involuntary confinement of over a thousand Britishers, mostly followers of Mosley, further cleared the air.

All in all, foreigners in Britain have the impression that the several branches of the competent British police are masters of the situation, and that the British soul was never really tainted by Nazi propaganda.

Everyone listens to Lord Haw Haw but his words arouse more laughter than belief. A nation that faces mortal peril with the grim joke: "Well, at least, Britain has reached the final! scene!" sound.

Nonetheless, many foreigners believe that if an invasion of Britain occurs, some positive and hitherto unrevealed fruits of Hitler's propaganda would appear in the shape of a not entirely insignificant British "fifth column."

This like the French, would find numerous reasons why Britain should rather "come to terms" with Hitler than continue single-handed a desperate struggle, the outcome of which is bound to contain some social change.

Whether such a "fifth column" could as in France come to supreme power is quite another story.

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"Wrap up the price tag... if she likes that I'll come back for the necklase!"

City Is No Man's Land For Invaders

"I BELIEVE that three months ago, 2,000 parachutists dropped in the open spaces round this city—could have taken Edinburgh," said a staff officer to me. "It's a very different story now."

By DUDLEY BARKER

Now it would take a tremendous enemy force to capture the capital city of Scotland, if it could be captured at all.

And the reason for this change of circumstances is simply the Home Guard.

There are several battalions of them, nearly all Scots. What could be more formidable than that?

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You notice, perhaps, a stretch of railing with some trees growing behind it. Not till you get close do you realise that the railing and the trees are paint, and a gun-muzzle lurks unobtrusively in the foliage.

I myself passed at least three large pillboxes without realising they were there until it would have been much too late.

The Attack

But these things are only the bones of Edinburgh's defence. Its flesh and blood are the Home Guard. And to see how well they do their job I spent an evening with one battalion on the southwest outskirts.

Parachutists were supposed to have dropped somewhere in the Lothians, the hills that close majestically round the city. Nobody knew how many parachutists, or just where they had dropped.

But the job of this battalion was to man its defences, hold off any attack, and most important of all send in accurate information.

Digging In

Here, in this field, are middle-aged men in shirt sleeves, digging themselves methodically in.

Fifty of them here, they tell me, the Boche is away yonder in the hills yet, with quite a lot of little surprises in between.

We drive rapidly through the outskirts roads of the city. A man and a rifle materialise from a hedge, recognise us, and sink into obscurity again.

An officer points out to me a line of rifles lying hidden along the edge of a potato field.

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HITLER WEAKENING

HITLER and his military machine have suffered three far-reaching reverses since the start of the European war. The first was the successful retreat of the B.E.F. from Dunkirk, when Hitler thought that he had the cream of the British army in his grasp, but discovered to his consternation that five-sixths of the trapped men had magnificently escaped; the second was the failure of his aerial blitzkrieg on England which was to pave the way for a successful invasion during September; the third has been the penetration of his so-called impenetrable defences by the Royal Air Force and the consequent bombing of Berlin and dozens of other highly important cities within the Reich and German-occupied areas.

And now there are indications that Hitler is already visualising ultimate defeat unless he can find better means of support than Italy. The German leader has tacitly admitted that, so far as he is concerned, the military situation vis-a-vis England in western Europe is a stalemate; in other words, that Britain has fought him to a virtual standstill on the western front. Now he must direct his attention to what he believes might be more vulnerable fronts—Africa and the Middle East. But here again he finds himself up against that tremendous obstacle, the British Navy, and realises that without corresponding nautical forces and strategic bases, his quest is foredoomed.

Hence the new intrigue with Laval and his pro-Nazi satellites for control of the French navy, French bases in the Mediterranean and French assistance in Africa. This manoeuvre is Hitler's first blatant display of weakness. It implies distrust of Italy's strength (German military leaders have never attempted to hide their feelings in this matter) and it admits an inability to make further progress without new contributing factors.

It would be premature to claim that Britain has Hitler on the run; but Britain has certainly made him pause and consider a situation for which the Fuehrer had made no previous provision. Slowly, but surely, the initiative is passing from Germany to the Allies; the days of spectacular Nazi victories are over; before them lies the drudgery of tactical warfare



CAUSE — AND EFFECT

"We will face whatever is coming to us. We are sure of ourselves and of our course." — Mr. Churchill.

BOHEMIA UNDER THE GERMAN HEEL

Apparently some Central Europeans thought that the Germans, as they gained fresh territories to the north and west, would become more tolerant towards their earlier enslaved peoples.

Even in the Bohemian "Protectorate" there were a few — a very few — who nursed such beliefs; they played up to the Germans in the hope of future reward. How completely they misread the National-Socialist mind is seen in the reports coming from Prague since the collapse of France.

Was Hitler to unteach *Mein Kampf* and repudiate the whole doctrine of the *Herrenvolk*, the German master race? In the German mind success elsewhere has meant that they can now afford, not to show a little leniency, but to be more ruthless in tightening the clamp.

The fresh wave of arrests in Bohemia began even before France collapsed. The Gestapo and S.S. men — swaggering youths for the most part — became aware of the muttering against them in Germany.

They were strutting through the streets of Prague, and Vienna while fathers of families and their own less athletic brothers were in the firing line.

To justify their soft jobs at home the Gestapo and Black Guards began quite suddenly to discover nests of rebellion in the most unlikely places. In Prague some of the men who had publicly welcomed the Germans a year ago — and had been revived for it by their compatriots — were thrown into prison by the Germans.

After the collapse of France and the low Countries the arrests were widened in scope. Within recent days many Social-Democrats and Left-Wing politicians, hitherto unscathed, have disappeared.

Local government officials have followed them. The Mayor of Prague, Dr. Klapka, until recently patted on the back by the Germans for his complacency, is now arrested. So is the city's prominent official, Dr. Nestavak. With officials have gone many of the remaining educationists; and only the usual Gestapo news is heard of them.

Dr. Wenig (it has already been reported) has been tortured until his mind has given way. A brother professor of his at the Legal Faculty of the Caroline University, Dr. Matejka, is somewhere unknown. So

with every move producing a more telling counter-stroke; the word "blitzkrieg" has lost its real meaning; from now on it is the country who can stick it the longest that will win. We beat Germany in the last war because we could stick it; we shall do it again.

Specious Devices

In their usual way the Germans try to deceive foreign opinion by a few specious, demagogic devices. Wages (they say) have been increased, and they point to the two wages packets which the workers now receive; the first containing the wage at the old rate, the second ostensibly containing the amount of the increase given since the Germans entered Prague.

The Germans also declare that rationing in the Protectorate is less strict than in Germany itself. They pretend to show that they encourage Czech movements by pointing to the *Vlajka* Party existing under their patronage.

They do not point to the reverse side of these devices. Wages in some trades have indeed gone up a halfpenny an hour; but the worker has to pay either a third or two-thirds more for everything he buys in the shops. In reality he is far worse off financially.

Rationing is better than in Germany, but food is much scarcer than ever under the Republic. The *Vlajka* Party exists — led by criminals whose police record started even Von Neurath, the "Protector".

The rank-and-file of the party is composed largely of riff-raff or irresponsible. When the S.S. men in Prague, egged the *Vlajka* on to storm the officers of the Czech National Solidarity Party, the crowd booed the *Vlajka* as robustly as the S.S. men.

The arrest of leaders of the National Solidarity Party is only one and not the greatest, of the measures lately taken by the Germans to stamp out the Czech way of life, political, economic, cultural.

All the relics of the former provincial autonomy under the Republic have now been scrapped. The provincial representative bodies, commissions, and committees have been dissolved.

Since March 15, 1939, they have not had executive power; but their dissolution now is taken by Czechs as yet another step towards the simple incorporation of Czech territory within the Reich.

Universities Closed

More significant are the barriers against Czech teaching. Universities and schools in Czech-Slovakia had much the place that they have in Scotland to-day; getting education was the goal of a young Czech and the source of pride to his parents.

No Czech university is now open. German scientific institutions are availing themselves of a recently given licence to take apparatus or books from a Czech university institute.

In some institutes little was left after the destructive excesses of last November; that little is now imperilled. The building of Czech elementary schools and secondary schools has been forbidden.

All building materials, it is said, are required by the military — but German schools are still being built. The stocks of publishers and booksellers are confiscated as bloc; once again, "required by the military."

In economic life there is the same story of discrimination. For a number of reasons, not wholly German-made, industrial production has fallen by a third.

The lack of raw materials may be chalked up to the British account. Certain examples of faulty workmanship may be chalked up to the Czech.

What is German-made is the deliberate closing of factories in the Protectorate and the sending of

their machinery to Russia and to South America.

Almost everywhere — except for some armament factories — the Germans are depriving Czech industries in favour of German. No less thoroughly German is the deportation of industrial workers to the Reich.

Under the latest compulsory labour law all Czech men from 18 to 70 have to work where their masters tell them. Probably hardly less than 300,000 have already been taken across the frontier. From the industrial area around Moravská Ostrava 11,000 were taken off within a few weeks. The deportations are carried out as ruthlessly from Bohemia as from Poland.

What is the Czech reply to all this? Part of it may be seen in a certain amount of bland and faulty workmanship. Part may be seen on the land. It is believed that the harvest will be less than half of normal, and it seems as though some farmers have returned to the 1918 tactics of growing only for their own households.

Last year they grew for others to harvest; they saw their produce taken off to Germany. Even this year the Germans have taken large stocks of potatoes — whether for food or for fuel alcohol is unknown. (Purchases of potatoes for Germany have been heavy in Spain.)

Most of all the Czechs bide their time and look for future deliverance. The British Government's recognition of the Czech-Slovak Government in London had a bracing effect in many parts of the Protectorate.

The people saw in it a signpost to happier and brighter ways than they have known under the Germans, for whom to protect means to stifle.

Shark Infested



A cartoon in the "New York Journal and American" indicating how the United States sees the Blitzkrieg.

"THAT VILLAGE" RAIDED AGAIN

"That village" in a South-eastern county which was selected a few weeks ago for bombing by Herr Hitler has been bombed again. "That village" consists of two duck ponds, one by the church and the other close to the pub, known to the older residents as the Club.

There is also a delightful old-world green round which are clustered some old houses, the most beautiful of them a Queen Anne house, with virginia creeper growing over its portals, ancient shutters safeguarding each room, and an old-world garden stretching away at the back with two well-known landmarks, a gigantic plane tree and an almost perfect beech tree; box hedges and snails.

The latest raid chose the Queen Anne house in which resides the largest family on the green, an old-fashioned family with many sons and daughters.

The shutters and the ancient thick brick walls suggested that no air raid shelter was necessary, so the schoolroom at the back of the house was appointed the place to which all the household should retire when there was an air raid, not that any member of the family thought that such a retirement would ever be necessary.

FALLING SHUTTERS

Some nights ago the shelter was tested. The curious hiccupping noise of a German aeroplane was heard overhead. Down the stairs from the old corridors rushed the family, and only just in time, for suddenly the shutters seemed to be falling inwards and then outwards, and there was a dull and appalling thump.

The shutters fell on the wooden floor with a clatter, and there was the sound of breaking glass; the window had gone, and the room was full of dust. The lights were at once put out and one of the daughters and her mother rushed into the hall to telephone to the A.R.P.

The family had to find other quarters, and finding — to their surprise, that the house still stood, retired to the heavily shuttered dining-room, and — let the truth be told — all got under the spacious dining-room table — as much, that is, of their bodies as they could squeeze under it.

In a short time A.R.P. officials arrived, and a cursory examination showed that a very large bomb had fallen on the lawn behind the house a few yards from the room in which the family had been sitting. Nothing more was done until the morning came.

It was then found that a crater some 12ft. deep and some 25ft. across had been made on the old lawn. A small plantation, known always to the family as the island — for around it each one of them when young had delighted to cycle — had vanished.

A very old yew tree some 30ft. in height was found later in the morning in the front garden of a home some distance away. Before coming to rest it had made a large hole in the roof of a house.

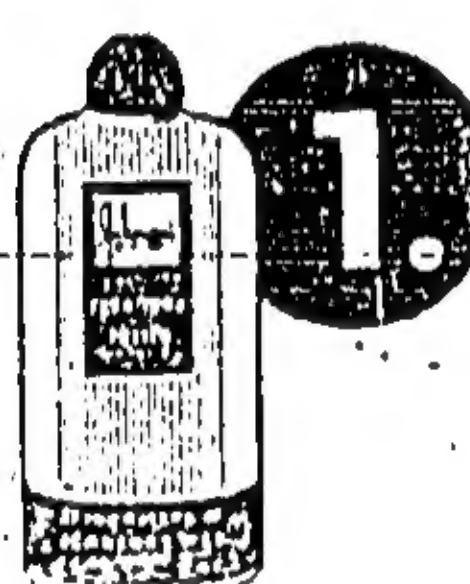
All three doors at the back of the house had been blown out, although each had been bolted and locked. Each of them in times of peace, owing to age, had been very difficult to open; the blast of the bomb had found the task easy.

Round the corner of the old house there is a passage way between the stables, now the garage, and the house. At the end of that passage there had stood for 20 years a door which had always defied opening. The bolts had rusted, the massive key in the lock would not turn — not even if a rod of iron were employed. The bomb had opened it with no apparent trouble and with no damage to the door.

The family having lived on the Green for many years, seldom if ever troubled to close windows. Although the windows at the back of the house were only a few yards from the bomb, those which had been left open suffered little damage. Every pane in the shut windows was broken.

More strangely, a window on a top landing had fallen outwards, and through it must have passed a fragment of the bomb. It passed along the landing, through the open door of a bathroom, cut the wires suspending the electric light as cleanly as would a pair of sharp scissors, and then passed on out of the window. That was the only broken pane in the front of the house.

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HITLER COULDN'T KILL PICNIC SPIRIT

Bank Holiday Crowds Found New Places

YOU can't kill a holiday by saying it doesn't exist. Like a birthday, it comes round just the same. So much already is evident about the first August 'Bank' Holiday of this war.

As an ice-cream man by the river at Hampton Court said: "Little old Hitler stops chaps having their holiday on Monday, so they have it on Sunday."

BATAVIA TALKS

No Japan-D.E.I. Oil Agreement

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"No agreement has been reached and negotiations are still proceeding," declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons to-day when questioned on the subject of Batavia oil supplies for Japan.

Mr. Butler added that both the British and United States Governments were being kept fully informed regarding the progress of negotiations.

Decision about the general character of any arrangement for the future rested with the Government of the Netherlands East Indies.

Replying to further questions, Mr. Butler said that there was complete co-operation between the governments concerned.

STORY OF A NAZI INVASION

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have been extremely unwise to let the enemy know how much we knew of his preparations or of the effect on them of the R.A.F. hammering.

Nazis Couldn't Face It

ZURICH, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—More reports are circulating about the failure of German attempts to land in Britain, says the newspaper, "Volksrecht."

According to one report, barges for transporting troops were assembled at the mouth of the Scheldt and the Rhine in September.

Some of the troops destined for the invasion are said to have shown "little desire to allow themselves to be embarked for these rides to heaven."

British bombers—so the report goes—dropped thousands of incendiary bombs, containing a special incendiary mixture, on the barges.

On reaching the water, the bombs are said to have made the river round the barges "a sea of flame."

Many German soldiers, it is declared, suffered terrible burns and are now in hospitals in occupied territory.

The "Volksrecht" adds that the Dutch public firmly believes this story and refers to "eye-witness evidence" in connection with it.

HITLER-FRANCO MEETING

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blackmailing lever to obtain the "co-operation" of France's Mediterranean Fleet which Germany and Italy must covet far more than a few hundred planes. The Vichy Government may have been faced with the choice of using this air force and navy against Britain or turning both over to the Axis.

The statement made in August that the Petain Government were handing over to the Axis 800 aircraft from North Africa is not now believed. Probably not more than 150 aircraft were flown over to Marseilles.

Political Offensive

BASLE, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The political offensive has begun, says the Berlin correspondent of the "Bastard Nachrichten," with the meeting of Hitler and Laval and "events must take place before the presidential election that will definitely exclude and render America's participation in the war impossible."

U.S. Is Prepared To Defend Philippines

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loyal friendship between the 21 sovereign republics, to create a solid front in the midst of world crisis.

Hemisphere Solidarity

BALTIMORE, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"Defense of the United States involves ability to repel an attack against the U.S. or any attempted invasion of any part of the new world," declared Mr. Sumner Welles, the Assistant Secretary of State, in an address here.

"Recent years have made it clearer than ever that the Panama Canal cannot be rendered secure nor our own territory regarded as safe from invasion by air unless the territory of our neighbors to the south is equally secure and that cannot be achieved without the loyal friendship of other American Powers."

"There never was a time when hemispheric solidarity was such a reality," he added.

"They can't take the misssis and kids down to Southend and Margate, so they bring 'em down the river. You can't stop the Englishman from having his spree."

Llandudno reported so many visitors that hundreds slept in their cars. All North Wales resorts were full.

Lake District Full

In the Lake District motorists, cyclists and hikers continued to arrive long after the last beds had been taken.

Blackpool, although not entirely full, shared abundant prosperity with Morecambe. "Bradford alone sent 60,000 wooden operatives on holiday. Brighton had 10,000 visitors—and Windsor had as many."

The river, in fact, has been one of the really bright spots of the weekend.

Down on the little stretch of fore-shore near Hampton Court Bridge, which by courtesy is known as "the beach," a sleek white motor cruiser, Princess Freda, fussed in from Richmond with 150 people aboard.

A Dunkirk Boat

A red-headed boy, cannon-balling off the landing stage, knocked a reporter's pencil flying.

"Sorry, guv'nor," said his mother, "can't do nothing wry 'im since he 'eard this boat was at Dunkirk. Now e's mad to see the gipsies."

That, in its way, has been typical of the spirit of this holiday—that is.

"We can hear the English language spoken here to-day," one of the Palace attendants said. "Before the war 90 per cent. of the visitors here were foreigners."

Canadian and Australian soldiers have taken the place of American holiday visitors.

There were crowds of them round the river—its age a subject of immense fascination to the Aussies especially. They are used to vineyards where a plant's life is rarely more than ten years.

Steamer Record

All the way up the Thames Valley the story was the same, of crowded banks and a roaring rowing boat trade.

Twenty little steamers made the round trip between Richmond and Hampton Court, a record beating those of many years past.

On the railways normal Sunday services were the rule. Very good, but "as usual" on the Thames Valley and Dorking lines was reported. "Thousands of hikers and picnickers made for the Surrey hills."

Japanese Legation In Australia?

TOKYO, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—A Japanese Legation is to be established in Australia subject to the approval of the Privy Council, says a Japanese report.

The special committee of the Privy Council this morning began deliberations on establishing a South Seas Affairs Bureau in the Foreign Office and the opening of a Legation in Australia.

Premier Visits Scotland

East Coast Defences

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister, accompanied by Mrs. Churchill, paid a surprise visit on Tuesday to East Scotland for the purpose of inspecting coast line defences.

Accompanied by a number of British and Polish army officers, Mr. Churchill made an extensive tour on foot, by car and speedboat, and, later, he expressed satisfaction with all the preparations that he saw.

Hitler Would Give Indo-China To Japan

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and Admiral Darlin, it is stated, supported acceptance.

After the demands had been rejected, says the "Volksrecht" correspondent, Laval went to Paris again and began the present negotiations.

Churchill Anticipated

The correspondent declares, "It is believed that these events were the reason for Mr. Churchill's broadcast journey to North Africa, with which it is declared that opposition between Petain and Laval has become more acute and it is believed that Laval has been obliged to conduct negotiations with Hitler and Ribbentrop on a new basis."

In these circumstances, great importance is attached to Weygand's journey to North Africa, with which may be connected the official Vichy statement that France intends to defend her Empire against every eventual aggressor.

The American authorities in Vichy have advised Americans to leave France, says the correspondent.

DAKAR SEQUEL

Gibraltar Attack Questions

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).

"We shall know how to deal with any further attacks by forces of the Vichy Government," declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons to-day.

He made this reply when asked whether consideration would be given to reprisals against the French forces supporting the Vichy Government, who had been "carrying on a systematic bombardment of Gibraltar recently."

Asked whether he would admit that there had been bombardment of Gibraltar by French forces, Mr. Butler said: "No. It would not pay to add anything to what I have said or infer anything from it. There was a certain incident and I have given a certain answer."

MORE MEN CALLED UP Britons Of 35 To Register

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).

An indication that the army is now in a position to absorb more men is provided by the announcement that men of 35 will have to register for service on November 9 and November 16. The great majority of these men will have reached the age of 35 but not 36, and a small minority will be not quite 35.

Therefore one group and a half will be left before another royal proclamation (further extending registration dates) is necessary.

The question of another royal proclamation does not immediately arise. Over three months have elapsed since the last registration. There is no information with regard to when the next age-groups beyond the present call will be asked to register but it may be several months.

As many of the men affected by the new registration are in reserved occupations, it is not possible to estimate the number who will be available for the Forces.

Carol And Lupescu In Spain

Extradition May Be Sought

NEW YORK, 23 (Reuter).—King Carol and Madame Lupescu are being kept under surveillance by the Spanish police, it is reported. It is not confirmed that the ex-Rumanian King and his mistress have been arrested but it is said that they have been moved to new quarters at a greater distance from the Portuguese frontier.

The extradition of the king and his favourite may be sought by the Rumanian authorities on charges arising from the death of Codreanu, former chief of the Iron Guard, during the Carol regime.

Black-Out Exercises

End of This Month

New black-out exercises are to be held in Hongkong at the end of this month, according to a notification issued by the Director of Air Raid Precautions.

The exercises will take place on the nights of October 29, 30, and 31. The black-out will automatically commence at sunset on October 29 and will remain in force until sunrise on the morning of the 31st.

The Government Black-out Order of 1940 will be strictly enforced.

During the exercises air raid alarm signals will be sounded during which time all road traffic must cease and all lights must be extinguished and remain thus until the "Raiders Passed" signal is given.



DRAFT LAW SIGNED — President Roosevelt signs 21-35 draft law in office in Washington, with registration on Oct. 16. Witnesses are, from left: War Secretary Stimson; Representative Andrew J. May, House Military chairman; General George C. Marshall, and Senator M. Sheppard, Senate Military chairman.

De Valera Offers Sanctuary

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—It was Mr. Valera, Eire Prime Minister, who suggested that mothers and children from the bombed areas should be given sanctuary in Eire. "Reuter" understands.

Mr. De Valera was moved to do this by feelings of distress at the sinking as the liner City of Benares with the loss of 79 children on their way to Canada.

When the news came of this tragedy, Mr. De Valera put the suggestion before his Ministers so that arrangements might be made as soon as possible by the British Government.

STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was narrowly irregular and business again was small.

Home rails were supported in view of the expected higher charges. Gilt-edged stocks, after an early improvement, closed around the previous levels.

Industrial leaders registered small gains.

Among the oil shares, Trinidad Petroleum Development advanced 1s. 3d. to 48s. 9d., following the news that the company was seeking authority to increase its capital.

Wall Street was firm.

Prince With Free French Forces

Von Starhemberg

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Prince von Starhemberg, former Austrian Vice-Chancellor, is now a lieutenant in the Free French Air Force with pay and allowances of £1, 4s. 11d. a day.

This was revealed by Capt. H. H. Bullard, Under-Secretary for Air, when questioned on the subject in the House of Commons to-day.

Travelling Costs At Home Increased

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The worker and the pensioner ticket holder escape the six per cent increase on existing railway fares which comes into force on December 1, announced Col. Moore Brabazon, Minister of Transport, in the House of Commons to-day.

There will be no increase on the London passenger transport system except for the coach service. The burden of higher charges will fall on the casual traveller and on the rates. The charges were increased ten per cent in January last.

Minesweeper Sunk

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The minesweeper Dundalk (Lieut.-Cmdr. F. A. Kirkpatrick), has been sunk by an enemy mine, says the Admiralty. The next of kin have been informed.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday says:

The market continues steady with sellers holding for slightly higher rates.

Buyers

Douglases \$125
Docks (old) \$15.75
Providents \$4.55
Hotels \$3.20
Lands \$30.60
Realities \$3.30
Electric (new) \$30.10
Telephones (old) \$23.50
Telephone (new) \$9.55
Cements \$10
Dairy Farms \$17
Watsons \$8.90

Sellers

H.K. Fires Ins. \$150
Hotels \$3.40
Lands \$31.25
Cements \$10.50
Vibro Piling \$8

Sales

Providents \$4.55/60
Electric (old) \$30.75
Electric (new) \$36
Watsons \$9

GRIFFINS AUCTION

More Australian Ponies Sold

Keen bidding which ended in high prices for several racing ponies, was a feature of an auction of Australian Griffins at the Hongkong Jockey Club yesterday.

Eleven ponies were sold and the lowest price fetched for any of them was \$1,000, which was \$350 above the upset price. The highest figure paid was \$8,100 and this sum was for a brown mare by Dignus from Lady Mecca.

A bay gelding by Farr from Bounty was sold for \$8,000. The first bidder raised the upset price of \$1,250 to \$2,000 and a second bid increased this to \$3,000.

The Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce was the auctioneer.

A further batch of these ponies will be auctioned at the same place to-day.

The full list of ponies sold and their prices, follows:

A bay mare, 4 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Trivento from Circus Queen, \$1,600; brown mare, 4 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Dignus from Lady Mecca, \$8,100; bay gelding, 4 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Dignus from Lady Mecca, \$4,700; chestnut mare, 6 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Jim Marsh from Songster, \$2,400; bay gelding, 4 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Farr from Bounty, \$2,000; bay mare, 5 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Linfair from Valtune, \$3,100; bay mare, 4 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Parsee from Clever Mary, \$2,400; bay mare, 5 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Margaria from Intuity, \$2,000; bay gelding, 5 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Paolet from Prudence, \$2,400; chestnut mare, 4 years, 14 hands 2 ins., by Richmond Main from Lady Dip, \$2,000; bay mare, 5 years, 14 hands 3 ins., by Kentcast from Lady Dip, \$3,100.



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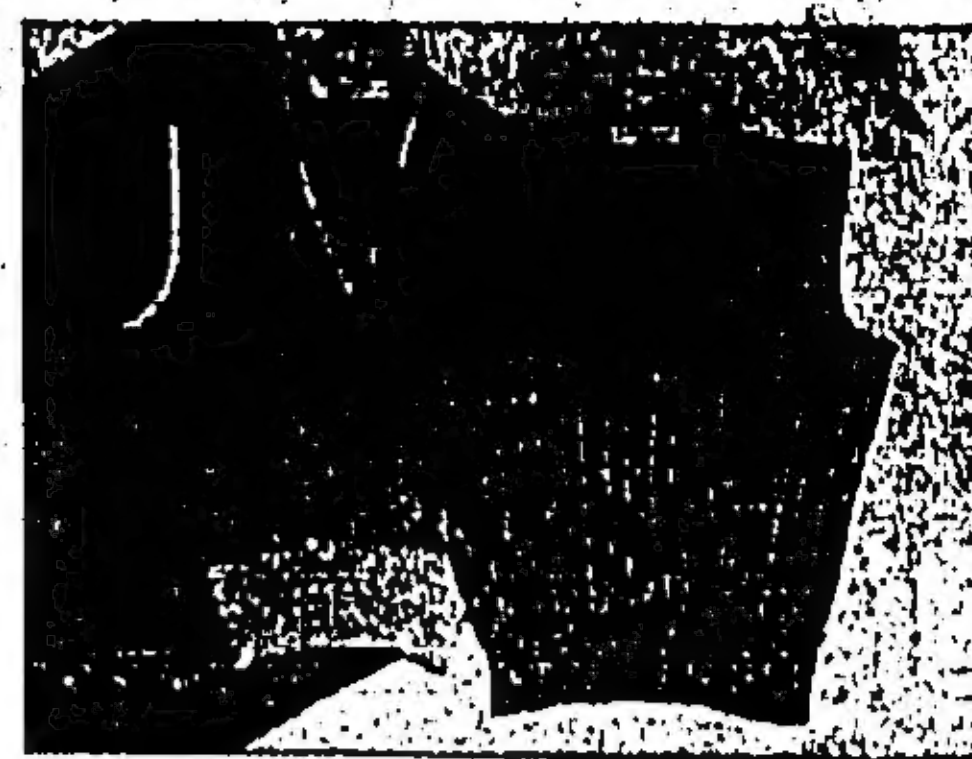
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"Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

MEN WILL HAVE HOCKEY LEAGUE AS USUAL: LADIES PLAY "FRIENDLIES"

Semi-Final Bowls Ties Two Good Matches To Be Decided

The semi-final matches in the Open Singles Bowls Championship of the Colony will be decided this afternoon on the Kowloon B.C.C. green.

F. J. Jones v. M. N. Rakusen
U. M. Omar v. M. B. Abbas

Both matches are due to start at 4.15 p.m. This is a wise step as the light gets bad so early these days, and it is unfair for the players to have to rush in the end.

Jones and Rakusen are club-mates, both playing for the Civil Service. Jones had a scare in his quarter-final match against W. J. Howard and was on the verge of being beaten, but Rakusen had a fairly comfortable passage against T. A. Madar. This match should produce a fairly even tussle.

Omar, the defending champion, will be opposed by a player who has never got so far before. The champion is playing at the top of his form at the moment and most judges of the game think he will win. But whether the match will be a good one to watch depends on how Abbas acquits himself.

JOSS WINS YACHT RACE

Yesterday's yachting over nine miles (started 2.50) resulted:

Joss	16.20.38 (G. F. Neve)	1
La Linda	16.40.10 (H. Brown)	2
Jean	16.40.25 (H. Lawder)	3
Artemis	16.43.34 (C. C. Blake)	4
Gull	16.44.40 (A. G. Mills)	5
Alisa	16.52.11 (W. A. Ingram)	6

R.E. 1 H.K. Club 1

On the Club ground last Tuesday after a fast and strenuously contested game, Club and the Royal Engineers shared the honours. This result was quite satisfactory though the home side were rather lucky.

The Sappers, showing fine team work, settled down to their task immediately taken Denyer, Hom-burg and Shaw playing well together, the Club defence had a tremendous tussle to keep them out. Exchanges were fairly even and the interval arrived with a blank score sheet.

The Sappers increased the pressure on resumption and after five minutes, Shaw completely outwitted Taylor and Thompson and, when Denwell advanced to meet him, the inside-left found the net with a beautiful cross drive.

After this reverse, Club retaliated and some fine movements were seen between S. A. Fowler and T. Whit-midline line. Thompson and E. V. Reed gave their halves little support. The Club team as a whole failed to play with dash and resolution. If the Engineers maintain the brilliant form shown so early in the season, there will be few teams to beat them.

Two minutes before the end, however, S. A. Fowler broke through to

NOW THAT THE WEATHER has become cooler, hockey has come into its own again in the Colony. Any enthusiast who finds himself in King's Park during a week-end these days will confirm my statement.

The Hongkong Hockey Association is to run a League, but due to the evacuation of most of our ladies, no league fixtures will be played by the ladies this season. Nevertheless keen interest is being taken by most clubs in this great amateur game.

Hockey is one of the very few remaining wholly amateur games. Amateurs, in its best sense, is by no means merely a matter of non-payment of the players; it is something much more than that. It is the spirit of friendliness—something akin to the "family party" spirit—which pervades every aspect and manifestation of a game.

In order to preserve this spirit, it is quite essential that a game be intended, run and governed solely by the players of that game, and that it should avoid the introduction of what I may call the spectator element. Once the spectator is admitted and encouraged in any vital capacity, so that his presence becomes essential to what one calls the "complete success" of a match, something of real amateurism departs from the game. An element of entertainment value to those other than the players themselves is introduced; the spectator, having been encouraged to come and having paid to see the game, develops his "rights" in return for his money. One need not look far, in order to find other games around which, although the players are, or are supposed to be, amateurs, there is an element of prestige, news-value and press-encouraged ballyhoo which is far from the spirit of real amateurism. We do not want to risk introducing this into hockey.

THE SPECTATOR
At present, hockey keeps the spectator in his proper place; it

neither invites nor repels him. The game is played for its own sake and all the most important club fixtures and others are played with complete indifference as to whether there are ten spectators or 500. The spectators do not matter. The game is supremely and healthily indifferent to them.

This, I submit, is the real spirit of amateurism. The game, but the "entertainment" is the thing. One of the greatest joys of hockey is that one can stroll onto any ground anywhere, watch any game one chooses. There is no boast or advertisement; therefore, nobody goes except those who are genuinely interested in the game. One is asked no questions and charged no gate-money; one has no feeling of watching a spectacle which has been staged for one's entertainment or over which one has any "rights".

Rather, one has a feeling that one is, for the time being, a guest at someone's party—as indeed one is—and that, therefore, one must behave with the courtesy and manners of a guest, accepting freely what is freely set before one and claiming no rights of over-free criticism.

We are having League games this season; the number of spectators will probably increase, but let us play this game of ours for the game's sake.

The Sappers were the better team and the superiority of their forwards, whose combination frequently had the Club defence out of position, was the main attraction in this keenly fought game.

Croston was outstanding at centre-half. Bowling at right-half and Goodwin at left-half were always prominent.

Club attack showed less cohesion than usual and though Taylor, W. A. Reed and McLeish formed a good middle line, Thompson and E. V. Reed gave their halves little support.

The Club team as a whole failed to play with dash and resolution. If the Engineers maintain the brilliant form shown so early in the season, there will be few teams to beat them.

Khalsa Defeat Y.M.C.A. In Fast Game By 3-2

IN A FAST GAME at King's Park last Saturday, Khalsa Hockey Club defeated a strong "Y" combination by 3-2.

Pyara Singh, playing at centre forward for the visitors, scored the first goal and G. Singh added the second before the interval. Kar-minder Singh made victory certain for his side when, in the second half, he found the net with the best goal of the match.

Credit for these goals, however, must be shared by the entire forward line, which displayed cleverness and combination, particularly the right wing.

M. H. Hassan, though slow at

times, was the best of the Indian halves. Mohinder Singh, at left half, worked very hard but spoilt a good afternoon's display with his wild clearances. He must bear in mind the duty of a half-back is to feed his forwards and not to hit the ball at random.

Old Radio Players
The two backs, Man Singh and Grewal could not settle down to any combination, and though the latter was good at tackling, the former was too conspicuous with his robust methods. Makhan Singh gave a fair account of himself in goal and has the makings of a good keeper.

Nearly 90 per cent. of the Khalsa team are ex-Radio players, and all are experienced men. They should give a good account of themselves in the coming League season.

The "Y" attack combined well and their stickwork was much better, but the need for a sharpshooter remains.

The wing halves, Kempson and Waldron, played very well indeed, the former in particular, with his grand marking and feeding. Jordan, who has his partner at back had lapses. Youriel was badly missed at left back.

Benwell, playing his second game in goal during the same afternoon, gave a fine display with the exception of one error—he left his charge too soon in trying to tackle the Khalsa right-winger, and the third Khalsa goal resulted.

On the whole it was a very even game which the "Y" were unlucky to lose.

NAVY "A" DEFEAT CLUB "A"

Carter's Two Good Tries (By "Fly-half")

On the Club ground yesterday evening, Navy "A" made Navy's first appearance for this season against a Club team and, by a well-balanced display, won by 11 points (two tries and a goal) to three points (a try).

The Naval team included last year's recognised half combination of Clark and Carter. The former is to leave us soon and I am sure with him will go the good wishes of all local rugby enthusiasts, players and spectators alike.

A player who made his first appearance in local games outside of trial games was McGill, of Shanghai Interport team.

The Club team also included some 1st XV players of this and yesterday in Stewart, Castleton, Kennedy, Needham, Thompson and Stout, probably with a view to testing these players as potential 1st XV selections and yet not altogether as at Stout played full-time as a wing three quarter and Needham the first half, after which he and Dalziel changed places.

Carter Forceful
Carter played a forceful game at stand-off half for the Navy and scored two good tries. McGill was a strong runner on the right wing. He received good support from Honeywell. Navy soccer fame. Clough, at full back, was steady and kicked to touch whenever in position, a lesson Thompson, Club's back, must learn if he wishes to avoid endangering his line. The Navy forwards played well as a pack.

Stewart for Club, except for occasional spurts, was lackadaisical and took things far too easily. Clough gave a good service from the base of the scrum with one fault of lobbing a little. This gave Carter an opportunity, for which he had been on the look-out from the kick-off, that of interception. He cut in fast between Clough and Morgan in the 1st XV (4.30 p.m.)—F. M. Thompson; D. H. Stewart; G. G.

pass and carry on with a grand swerve past Thompson to score Navy's third try. Kennedy and Gairdner were Club's best forwards.

The Scoring
After twenty-five to twenty-six play, Navy forwards carried the play to near the Club's line where they were checked. The ball went to Carter who brushed past a couple of Club players to score an unconverted try.

Some time later, McGill, who had just previously been tackled head-on by Thompson when he had only the full-back to beat, outsped the Club defence to score mid-way out. The kick failed. This concluded the scoring in the first half.

Navy went further ahead when Carter intercepted between the Club halves and went on to score near the upright, a converted try. Then Stewart for the Club picked up near the centre in a Club three movement which had been checked, and with the Navy three level with him, he shot forward to outrun Clough and score under the bar. He failed to convert. From now onwards Club strove hard to reduce the Navy lead further but the final whistle blew with the Club on the offensive without showing any ability to score.

Navy—Moxham, Grace, Wilson, Faulkner, Carter, E. A. Wilson; Inglis, Richards, Beattie, Longmuir, Jones; Taylor, Thornhill, Clarke.
Club—Stewart; P. B. Wilson, D. H. Stewart, C. V. Needham, E. W. Stout, T. O. Morgan, F. J. D. Clough, F. E. Heasman, V. Barker, R. G. Castleton, Mouldie, R. C. Gairdner; A. M. Kennedy, A. G. Dalziel, J. Rogers.

Club Rugby Teams
The following will represent Club first and "A" fifteen in friendly Rugby matches against Royal Navy on the Club ground on Saturday: 1st XV (4.30 p.m.)—F. M. Thompson; D. H. Stewart; G. G.

NEWSY NOTELETS

I AM glad the H.K.H.A. have decided to run a tournament. Most clubs share the opinion that they are entitled to something for an affiliation fee of \$5 a year. Certificates for the tournament are Central British Association, Khalsa Hockey Club, H.K. Police, Club de Recreo, Royal Corps of Signals, Engineers and Nomads. I should like to see the Y.M.C.A. and the H.K. Hockey Club in the tournament as well. It is true that most of the Club players are from the C.B.A. and elsewhere, but I am certain that they could pick a decent team with at least 30 players to choose from. Although the Army has a Large and Small Units Tournament, a few entries from some of the different companies and units would certainly make the Association Tournament more interesting. The Royal Engineers so far have been the only staunch supporters.

THE Police "All Indian" team has been seen in action twice and, I must say, wants a great deal of strengthening should they wish to go far in the tournament. I hope the European members, Parker, Blackburn, Gough, Howlett, Brown, Wall, Jackson and Rothwell have not forsaken the game.

INFORMATION has reached me that useful work is being done by L/Cpl. Dove of the Royal Corps of Signals. He has held quite a few classes of umpiring for Service members who are anxious to pass their Umpire's test. I wish him success and hope that he keeps it up.

V. M. Benwell, our Interport goal-keeper, is certainly taking a great interest in the game. Apart from being a member of the Association Council, he is Captain of the Club and Y.M.C.A. teams. In all, he runs five teams a week, three from the "Y" and two from the Club. This takes some doing. Well done, Benry.

CLUB de Recreo, I hear, are fielding some young recruits in their 1st XV this year. The Portuguese have always been in need of new blood, especially in attack, and I am sure these youngsters will give a good account of themselves. Most of the older members, I notice, are interested in football.

WITH the evacuation of our ladies, the H.K.H.A. are not running a League this winter. I understand there are quite a few teams left in the Colony, but I have not had the opportunity to comment on their strength as yet. However, the C.B.A. ladies meet St. Andrew's at King's Park this afternoon. I shall be there to see teams in action.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS SUSPENDED

Fraser, Royal Scots, was yesterday suspended indefinitely by the Emergency Committee of the Football Association, for gentlemanly conduct towards the referee, Mr. Emmons, after the second division league match against Kit Chee on October 6 at Sookunpoo.

Chan Kwong-ye, Police, was suspended for a month for violent conduct and persistent foul play against St. Joseph's, in a first division match on Sunday.

At a meeting of the Management Committee, the application of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation for affiliation was favourably recommended to the Council. This new Club intends to play friendly matches during the season, and their players will be eligible for representative teams.

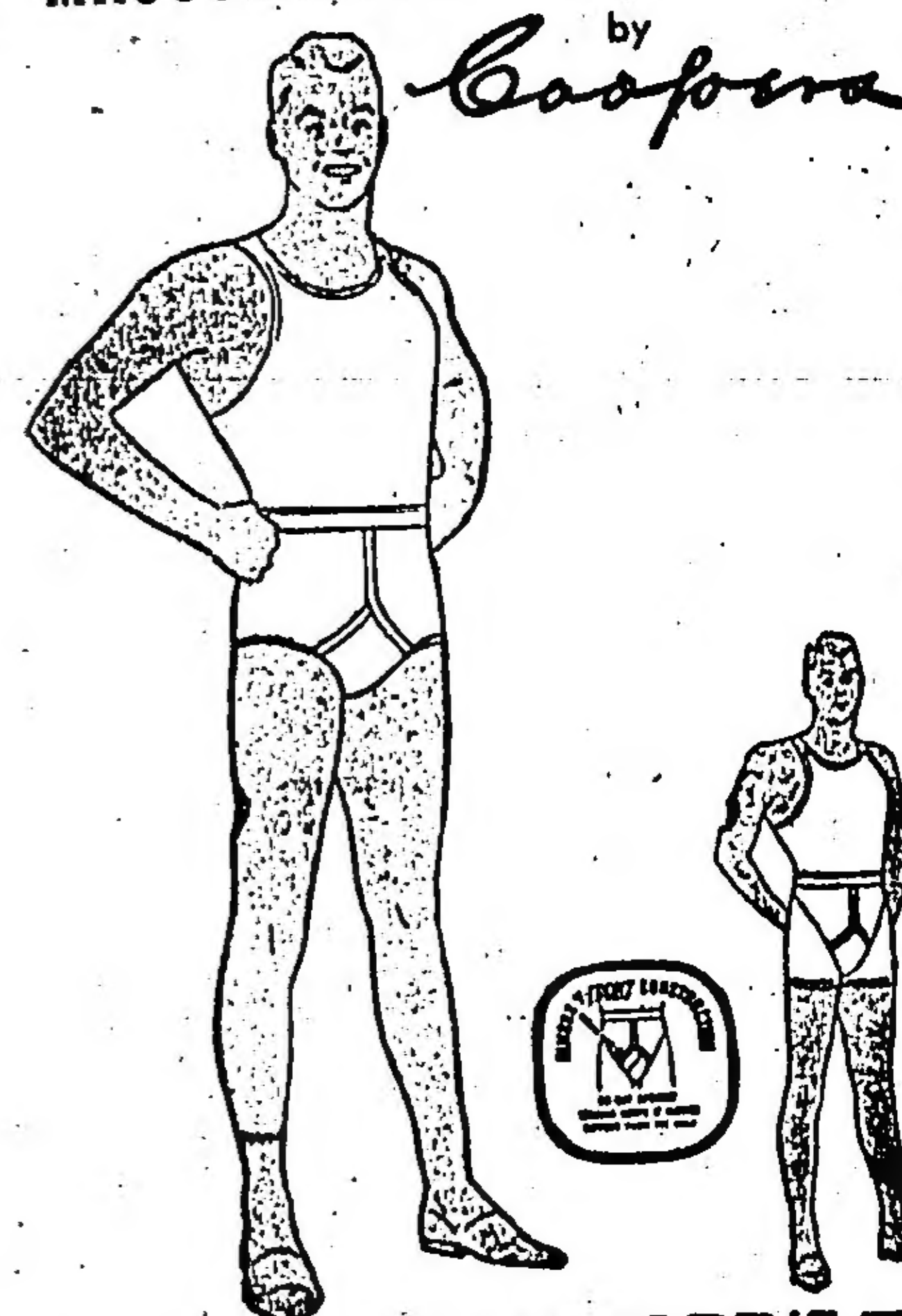
The Management Committee accepted the proposal that the annual Referees and Press match be the curtain-raiser to the Poppy Day match on November 11 on the Club ground. The match will begin at 2.30 p.m. and will be followed by Combined Services versus the Red in aid of Earl Haig's Poppy Day Fund.

The following were selected last night to represent the Rest—Cheong Wing-choi (Sing Tao); Blackburn (Police); Lee Tin-tang (Sing Tao); Fong King-sing (Kowloon); Cheung Yung-sam (Eastern); Fung King-tai (Sing Tao); Chan Tak-tai (South China); Lee Wai-long (South China); Hau Ching-to (Eastern); Reserves—D. Leonard (St. Joseph's); Lai Siu-wing (Sing Tao); Tang Chun-wan (South China); F. Fowler (Club); Soong Ling-sing (Sing Tao); Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern); Howlett (Police); R. M. Omar was appointed manager.

Altkenhend, D. G. Day and D. I. Bosanquet; J. C. Charter and J. Thompson; I. McEae, J. S. Dunnett, R. E. Heasman; R. G. Gairdner, C. V. Needham; A. M. Kennedy, E. W. Stout, A. J. C. Taylor (Capt.), Hackett and A. J. C. Taylor (Capt.).

"A" XV (3.15 p.m.)—H. F. Hopkings; H. Van Leeuwen, D. Hynes, M. O. Carruthers, T. Jones, T. O. Morgan and F. J. D. Clough; E. W. Stout, R. G. Castleton, R. S. Lee; C. M. Stark, G. G. Davies; Dr. Thomas, G. B. Godfrey and A. G. Dalziel.

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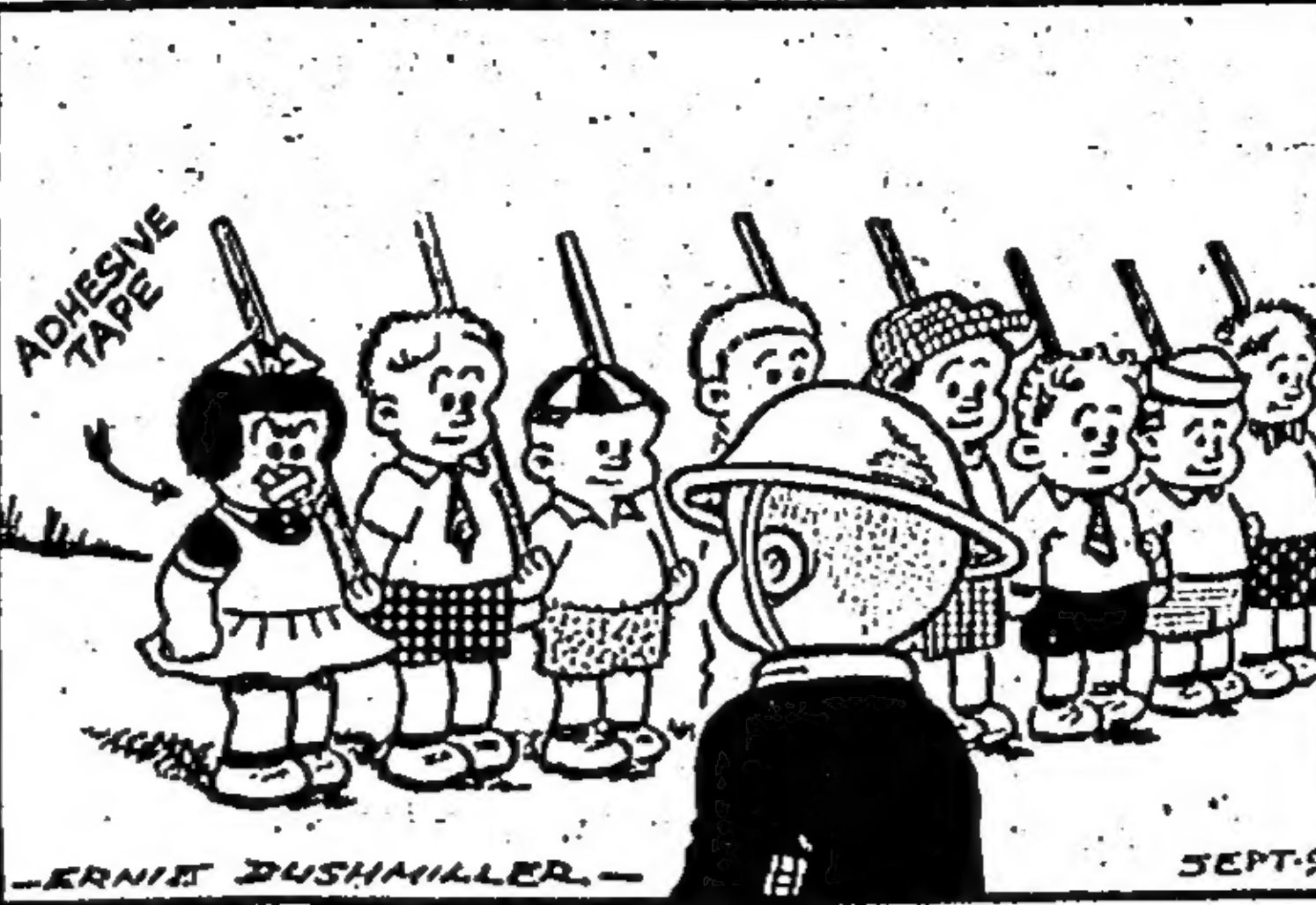
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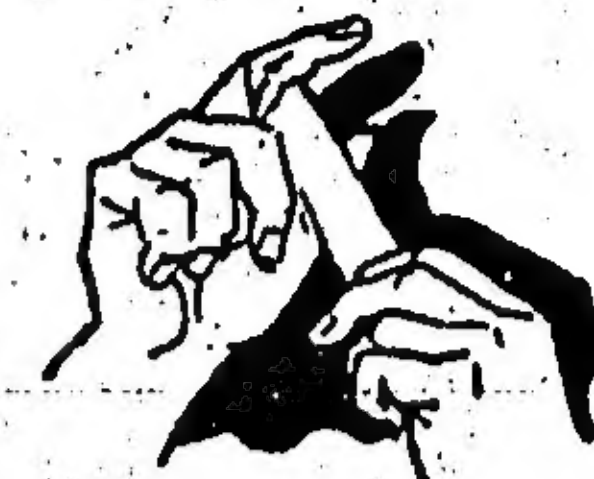
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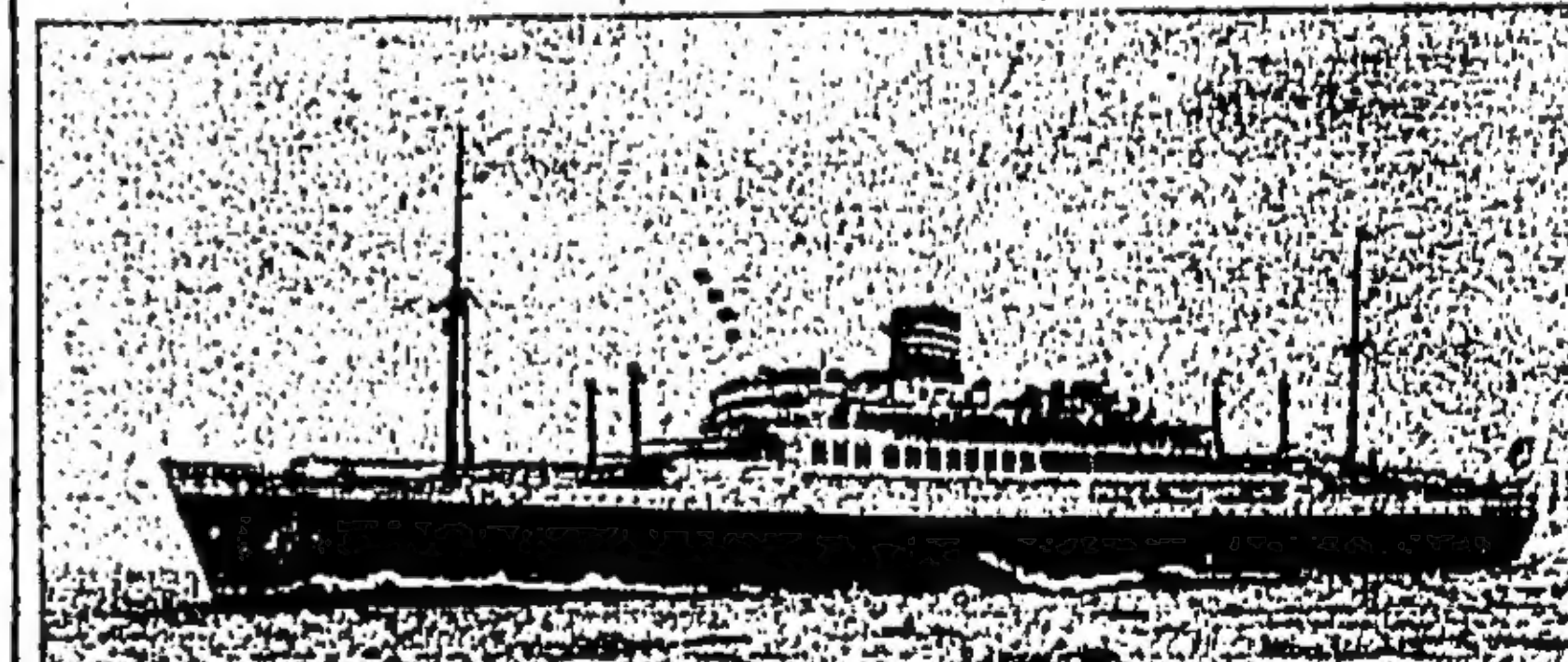
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The Hongkong Chamber Music Club this year enters upon the third season of its activities. It is proposed to hold four concerts during the season. The first concert of the series will be held, by kind invitation of His Excellency the Acting Governor, in Government House, at 9.15 p.m. on Friday, November 8.

The programme, which includes three compositions for two pianos and two groups of songs, is as follows:

Sonata in F for 2 pianos (Bach), played by Harry Ore and John Smith; three songs, "I envy not a Monarch's Fate" (Purcell), "Leave Me" (Handel) and "The Knotting Song" (Purcell), sung by Maurice Barton; The "Wanderer" Fantasia (Schubert-Liszt) played by Harry Ore and John Smith; three more songs, "Fair House of Joy" (Quilter), "The Water-Mill" (Vaughan Williams) and "A Christmas Carol" (Maurice Davidson) by Maurice Barton; and finally, Variations on a Theme of Haydn (Brahms) played on two pianos by Harry Ore and John Smith.



BURNING CARDS—German censor sorts this radio picture from Berlin shows incendiary cards scattered by British fliers. Celluloid squares carry disk of gun cotton and phosphorus. When dry they spring into flame, setting fires.

Trade Of Hongkong Shows Improvement Statistics for Nine Months

According to an official report released by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, the combined values of imports and exports of merchandise during the first nine months of 1940 totalled \$1,047.5 millions (£64.8 millions) as compared with \$846.6 millions (£51.9 millions) in the first nine months of 1939, and \$874.2 millions (£54.0 millions) in the first nine months of 1938.

In terms of local currency the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 23.7 per cent in the first nine months of 1940 as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 19.8 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1938.

In terms of sterling the total visible trade of the Colony increased by 24.9 per cent in the first nine months of 1940 as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 20.0 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1938.

Imports of merchandise amounted to \$577.8 millions (£35.7 millions) in the first nine months of 1940 as compared with \$443.7 millions (£27.2 millions) in the first nine months of 1939, and \$477.6 millions (£29.5

millions) in the first nine months of 1938; whilst exports amounted to \$469.9 millions (£29.1 millions), \$402.9 millions (£24.7 millions) and \$396.6 millions (£24.5 millions) respectively.

In terms of Hongkong currency imports of merchandise increased by 30.2 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 20.8 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1938; whilst exports increased by 16.6 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 18.5 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1938.

In terms of sterling values imports of merchandise increased by 31.3 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 21.0 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1938; whilst exports increased by 17.8 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1939, and by 19.8 per cent, as compared with the first nine months of 1938.

LETTERS

Toc H Activities

To the Editor,

The "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—We shall be very glad if you can make use of this letter, concerning the activities of Toc H both here and at home.

A Non-Stop Variety Entertainment entitled "Vaudefun" is being organised in aid of Toc H at work with the Forces in Britain. It is to take place on Thursday, November 7, at 9.15 p.m. and will be held in the West Lounge Theatre, Y.M.C.A., Kowloon. David Kossick is producing, and has got together a strong cast of local amateurs.

There is every indication that an excellent show will be the result.

The latest "Toc H Journal" to reach us—together with correspondence from Home Headquarters—gives news of great activity on the Home Front. In the Orkneys, in the Midlands, at Southampton and countless other places, Toc H is seizing the opportunity for providing the homely comforts and atmosphere which men so badly need. This applies not only to the Services but also to the great centres of industrial output where workers, we well know, are sparing no efforts towards our success. To brighten their leisure moments and, more important, to refresh them in spirit just at this time when they are making such a vital contribution to our great cause—this is a task as urgent as the production of armaments itself.

As the undertakings of Toc H increase, so does its need of financial help, and Brigadier Sir Colin Jardine's appeal for Toc H on the B.B.C. has met with a grand response from the public at home.

Many parts of the Empire have also sent gifts, and one of £250 from Shanghai has just been acknowledged. The fine service being done by Toc H is everywhere recognised. It is worthy of all the support we can give it.

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Spiritualist Preacher Fined £20 for Sermon

STANLEY HAWKE, aged 48, stated to be the head of a Spiritual cult called Arrowism, was fined £20 and costs at Exeter for making statements likely to cause alarm or despondency.

The statements were made at the Church of the Holy Spirit, Exeter, where Hawke conducted services as "The Arrow."



STORE PANCAKED—wreckage of large department store in British capital, wrecked by Hitler's bombs. Store has pancaked into basement, after direct hit.

He was alleged to have said that he would end one of the services earlier than usual, so that the congregation could go home and listen to Mr. Churchill "telling some more lies over the wireless."

Woman Fainted

A woman asked Hawke in the church for information of the whereabouts of a relative in the Forces. After consulting a spirit he called "Arrow," he said the soldier was dead. The woman fainted.

A policeman's wife said she heard Hawke describe an inaccurate published report that the Canadians were in England. He said they were sent East.

An airport in the West, he declared, was full of spies.

"He told us," the woman said, "that we could find these things out for ourselves, as we were good at finding out."

She added that he said it was wicked to dig trenches, as they were death-traps for children and would be used against Britain if the Germans invaded this country.

Spirit Control

For Hawke, it was stated that when he delivered a sermon he was under the control of an astral "spirit" "Arrow."

He was in a semi-trance and was unaware of what he was saying when "Arrow" spoke through him.

The magistrates said they were not convinced by his claim to be merely the voice of a spirit.

Two other charges against him were dismissed.

These were of publishing what purported to be information regarding the disposition of the Forces and information which might be useful to the enemy.

LATE NEWS

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LAST 4 TIMES TO-DAY

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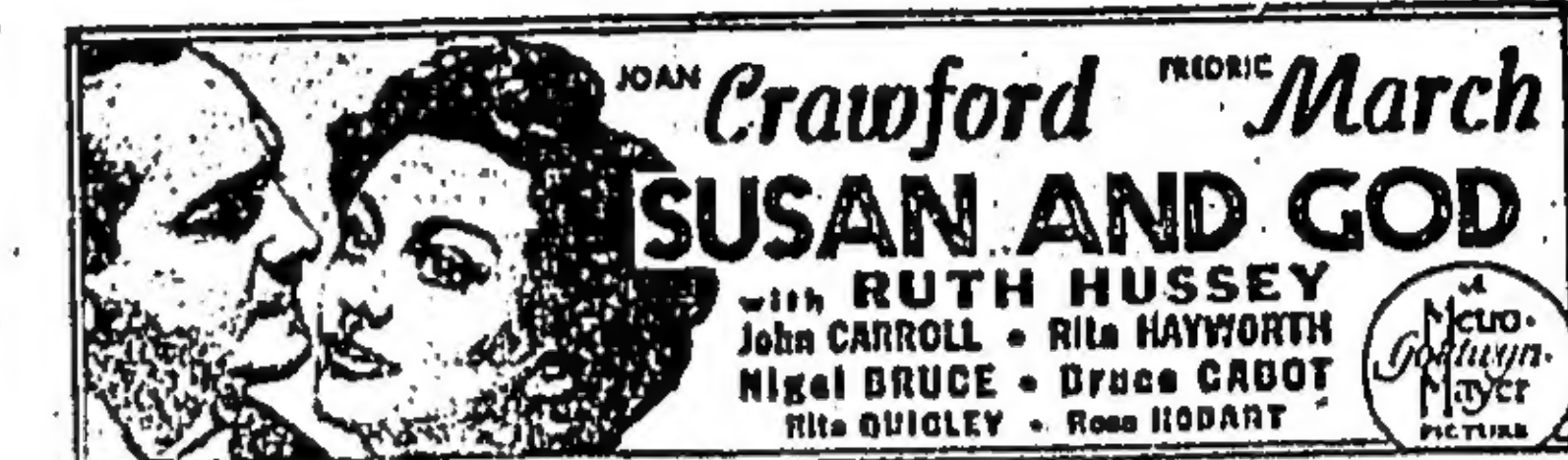
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BOY SCOUTS

Governor To Visit Training
Camp On Sunday

Like other organisations in Hong-kong, the Boy Scout movement has been continually on the increase, so far as practically all the European Scout Troops and Wolf Cub Packs have had to close down. The sincere hope is that these boys are not missing their Scouting or Cubbing in Australia or wherever they may be.

The Chinese Groups, which have been continually on the increase, report a certain falling off in numbers owing to "evacuation" and other causes, but on the whole it is thought that the numerical strength of the movement in the Colony has been well maintained. That there is plenty of keenness is evidenced by the following facts.

The Hongkong Boy Scouts A. R. P. Despatch Corps has a membership of 300 boys either fully trained or in the process of being trained. At a Scouters' Meeting held a few weeks ago, over 70 attended and took part in interesting discussions concerning the welfare of the movement here. Next week-end, October 20-21, a Scout Troops and Wolf Cub Packs Scouters' Camp is being held at the Scout Training Camp at Chai Wan, and more than 80 Scouters will be present.

On the Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock His Excellency the Acting Governor has kindly promised to come out and inspect the Scouters and the camp. Those in charge will be very pleased to welcome any friends of the movement to Chai Wan on Sunday, October 27, from 2.45 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. Contributed.

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WHITEAWAY'S

HITLER-FRANCO MEETING ON SPANISH BORDER

Special to the "Telegraph"

It is officially revealed that Herr Hitler conversed with General Franco on the Franco-Spanish border to-day, says a "United Press" message from Berlin, while, according to a Vichy report, M. Laval has received an invitation from Hitler to attend a four-men conference. Those taking part will be Hitler, Ribbentrop, Petain and Laval, and the venue will be somewhere in France at an early date.

Another Vichy report says that after his interview with Hitler on Tuesday, M. Laval returned to Vichy where he conferred with Marshal Petain. Afterwards he left immediately for Paris.

Following his talks at Fontainebleau M. Laval returned to Paris last night and then went on to Vichy to report the details of his conversations with Hitler.

During this talk with Petain other Ministers were called in for brief consultations on technical matters.

M. Laval also had a brief conversation with the Spanish Ambassador at Vichy yesterday.

Then he started on his journey to Paris but had to turn back after 90 minutes owing to fog. He will resume the trip to-day.

It is understood that M. Laval's first talk with Hitler was wholly of a preparatory nature in which Hitler expressed his willingness to meet Marshal Petain to discuss problems for the termination of the state of war between Germany and France.

One of the major questions of the pending conversations between Hitler and Laval is the liberation of the 1,800,000 French prisoners of war. It was stated in Vichy yesterday that the Foreign Minister, M. Paul Faure, in an official and exclusive announcement to the "United Press" declared: "I authorise you to state that all idea of military action was excluded when Laval met Hitler."

Frontier Meeting

Madrid, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The German wireless announces that Herr Hitler and General Franco, accompanied by Herr von Ribbentrop and Senor Salmeron, their respective Foreign Ministers, arrived at the Franco-Spanish frontier and they may be in conference there.

France's Air Force

London, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The present effective strength of the French Air Force in North Africa is believed to be no more than 500 modern planes.

Other aircraft of this fleet which was estimated by one source originally at 1,200 strong, are thought to be obsolete. Most of the planes are based in Morocco. Reserves and spare parts are lacking.

The Berne report that France's North African Air Force figured in the demands reported to have been made recently on the Vichy Government is interesting in the light of these estimates and they may give a clue to the methods by which the Axis Powers had hoped to get Petain to toe the line.

It is possible that the fate of this force was raised as an additional blackmailing lever to obtain the "co-operation" of France's Mediterranean Fleet which Germany and Italy must covet far more than a few hundred planes. The Vichy Government may have been faced with the choice of using this air force

200 TRAPPED IN RAID DEBRIS

Nazis Extend Operations

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Oct. 23 (UP).—Nearly two hundred people were trapped in the smouldering debris of a department store's basement shelter for hours after two high explosives and oil container bombs struck the building in last night's air raids.

Courageous Watchman

Despite being shot in the hand, a courageous Chinese watchman, Chan Cheung, of the Cheung Wing Timber Yard, Cheungshawan, chased and caught two of three suspects while on duty yesterday morning.

The alarm was raised from a neighbouring junk yard when three men, after being questioned, jumped into the water, swam ashore and tried to run off.

NEWFOUNDLAND DEFENCE BASE

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—An agreement has been reached between the United States, Britain and Canada on the location of the defence base on the southern shore of Newfoundland, said Col. Knox, Secretary of the Navy, at a press conference to-day.

A survey crew was already preparing to start work on the first string of new Atlantic bases acquired from Britain.

British Govt. Won't Ban Oil To Japan

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Oct. 23 (UP).—Members of all parties unsuccessfully pressed the Government to prohibit British companies selling oil to Japan in the House of Commons to-day.

Responding to questions the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, said the Dutch East Indies is keeping Britain and the United States informed regarding the oil negotiations with Japan.

The Liberal member Mr. Mander said Mr. Butler's replies were not satisfactory and, therefore, he intends to raise the question at the earliest opportunity.

Mr. Noel Baker (Labour) then asked whether the Government

Not So Simple

"The matter is not quite so simple," Mr. Butler replied. "The location of the companies in question and the countries in which they are situated must always be taken into consideration."

Another Labour Member, Mr. Shinwell said: "Wouldn't it be disgraceful if British finance was used for the purpose of providing Japan with oil?" But Mr. Butler declined any further explanation.

Bodies, some of them still living, were extricated from the ruins this morning, while firemen extinguished the fire which threatened to carbonise the remainder of those in the shelter.

Midlands Blitzkrieg

LONDON, Oct. 23 (UP).—The aerial blitzkrieg appears at the moment to have left London and gone to the Midlands.

For the past three nights the metropolitan area has been comparatively quiet but industrial centres in the Midlands have received heavy blows from the German night bombers, reminiscent of the worst nights in London's ordeal.

Asked the reason why the night bombing of London has slackened off considerably recently and the raiders transferred their "horror" to the Midlands and Merseyside, an Air Ministry expert replied: "It has been the general opinion among high officials of the Air Force for some time now that the Germans are unable to undertake two or more blitzkriegs simultaneously, especially at night time."

"We have noted from the experiences of past weeks that if the Germans concentrate their bombers on London, other parts of the country receive little attention, which appears to be the best evidence that the German air force is not over blessed with experienced night bombing crews."

Bombs In London Area

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—It is now known that bombs were also dropped at some places in the London area, states an Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique giving further details of raids during daylight to-day.

A town in East Midlands and a town in Kent also suffered bombing. In each of these areas, some houses were damaged and casualties caused. Casualties were not numerous but a small number of persons were killed.

Isolated Attacks

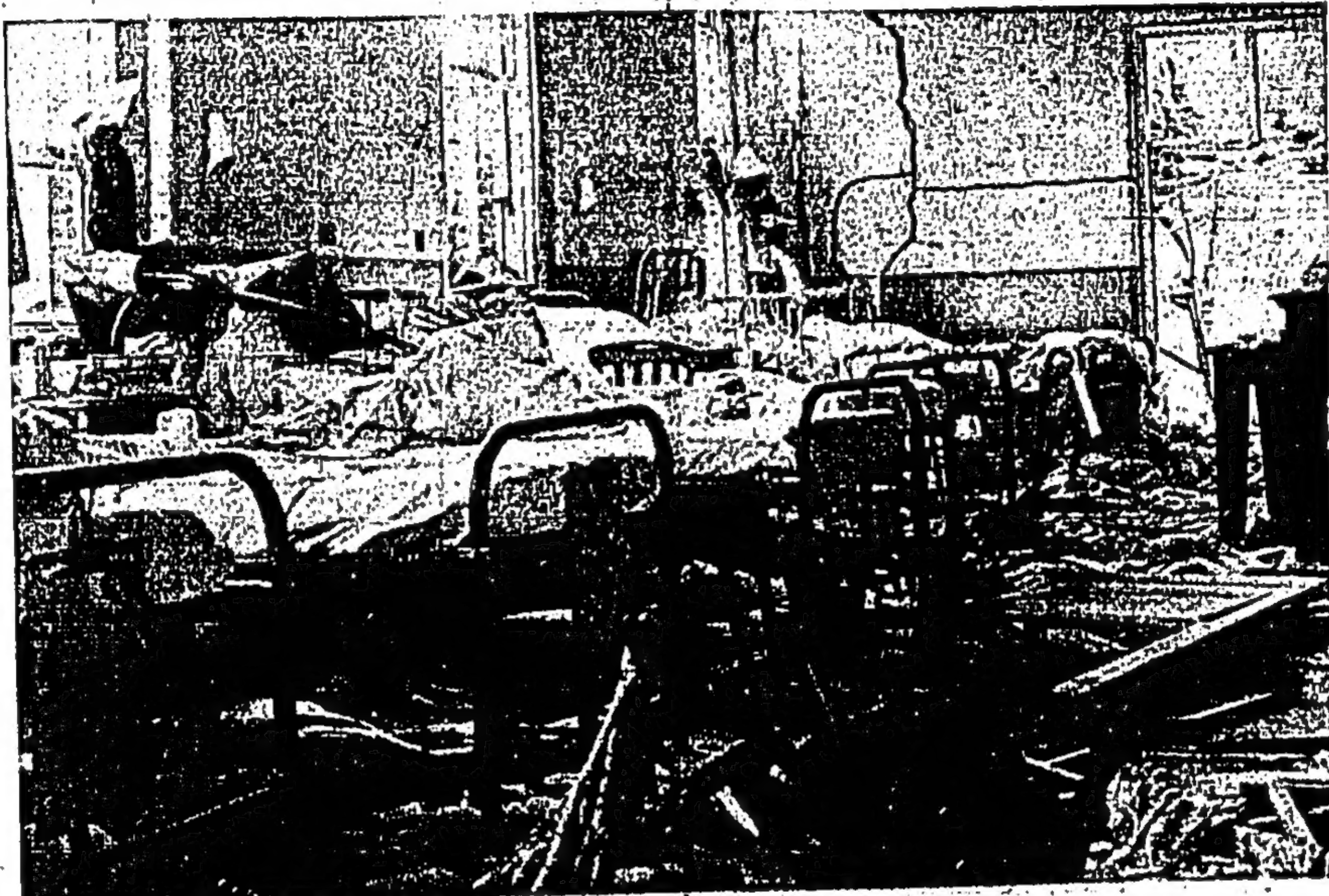
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Enemy air activity to-day has been confined to a few isolated attacks by single aircraft.

Bombs were dropped on a town of the south coast and on two places in the London area. Damage was slight and there

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SAVAGERY OF THE NAZIS

The savagery of the Nazi air raiders over Britain cannot be better illustrated than by these two pictures taken after a recent raid. One shows the remains of a ward in a Kentish hospital after a bomb had scored a direct hit, and the other the damaged exterior of a church in the London area.



STORY OF A NAZI INVASION WHICH NEVER CAME OFF

LONDON, Oct. 23, (Reuter).—Details of Hitler's preparations for invasion of England were disclosed officially to-night.

The Air Ministry news service points out that only part of the story can as yet be told, but this part shows that from the first day that the enemy concentrated his forces in every available port and harbour, the R.A.F. carried out reconnaissances.

In the early days of September, the reports of these aircraft brought back showed only small concentrations of men and material, but as time passed they became more and more imposing, and before long hundreds of barges and other war materials were assembled at Antwerp, Calais, Dunkirk and Ostend.

Many barges were observed from the air daily to be moving slowly from one canal to another. Small warships were also moved near the barges. These barges were self-propelled, over 150 feet in length and each capable of carrying about two train-loads of men or material.

It was also known that Germany had commandeered every available barge of over 500 tons and armies of workmen were employed in shipyards altering the bows of these vessels to enable tanks to be easily carried and disembarked.

Besides concentrations of barges, there were also submarines in many harbours—some of ocean-going type—large motor vessels, tugs and merchant ships. Forty-five merchant ships were reported at Le Havre on one occasion.

Inland new aircraft shelters were being built on many aerodromes from which it was expected that enemy aircraft would assist in the invasion.

Railways too were particularly busy, especially between Germany and the Low Countries.

Thwarted By R.A.F.

It was on September 5 that a strong R.A.F. offensive against the enemy was begun. Each invasion base in turn came in for heavy bombardment. Naval docks and shipbuilding yards at Kiel, Hamburg and Bremen were bombed as well, and extensive damage was also done to occupied ports along the Dutch and Belgian coasts.

The Air Ministry news service emphasised that until lately it would TURN to Page 2, Column Three

LATEST

ROOSEVELT OPENS HIS CAMPAIGN

Labouring For Peace

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"It is for peace that I shall labour for all the days of my life," declared President Roosevelt opening his election campaign here to-night.

The President accused the Republicans of importing the propaganda methods of "dictator countries" to convince the public that he would lead the United States into war.

Broadcasting from the same Convention Hall in which he was nominated in 1936 and in which Wendell Willkie was nominated this year, the President declared that since July hardly a day or night had passed "when some crisis or some possibility of a crisis in world affairs has not called for my personal conference with the Secretary of State and other officials of the Government."

"Therefore it is essential that I adhere to a rule never to be more than 12 hours distant from Washington."

Falsifications

But the time had come for him to answer falsifications with facts. He declared that many of the statements by the Republicans must be "deliberate falsifications" declaring that "willful misrepresentation of facts were not permissible during a campaign or at any other time and citing

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Philippines Promise Military Aid To U.S.

Washington Talks

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (UP).—Reaffirmation of the Philippines' promise to co-operate with the United States in the defence of her Far Eastern interests was given to-day to Colonel Henry Stimson, Secretary of War, by Senor Elizalde, the Resident Philippines Commissioner in Washington and Senor Jose Yulo, Speaker of the Philippines House of Assembly.

It is stated that the Philippines officials had a cordial conference with Colonel Stimson to whom they presented President Quezon's promise to co-operate in every way with the United States defence scheme.

It is understood they discussed the broad outline of the Far East defence problem and stressed that 150,000 trained Filipino militia who for two years had been under the personal direction of the former Chief of Staff of the United States Army, General MacArthur, would be available if needed.

Senor Elizalde submitted to Colonel Stimson the obvious logic of sending materials and equipment to the Philippines in order to arm the militia as a part of the United States defence forces in that area.

The conference, occurring simultaneously with conferences in Manila

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New Japanese Peace Overtures Reported

SHANGHAI, Oct. 24 (Reuter).—The Japanese are apparently again making a strong bid to persuade General Chiang Kai-shek to come to terms with them, says the Peiping correspondent of the usually well-informed "North China Daily News."

The correspondent adds that this "is said to be entirely due to the case with which the Japanese have been able to solve Indo-China, which has surprised Tokyo itself."

As a result, the prestige of the Navy Party was enormously enhanced as this Party has always asserted that

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LOST.

LOST—Horn Rimmed Spectacles, Parolina Grill, Saturday, 19/10/40. Reward return Box 588, "Hongkong Telegraph."

London, Oct. 23. The death has occurred of General Sir Charles Harrington, former Governor of Gibraltar.—*Reuter*.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Cricket Club will be held in the Pavilion, Chater Road, on MONDAY, 28th October, 1940, at 5.30 p.m.

A. K. MACKENZIE,
Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE

The Inland Revenue Department will be removed to Windsor House, 6th floor, on Saturday, the 26th October.

The Estate Duty and Stamp Offices will be closed for business on the 26th, and will re-open at the new address on Monday, the 28th October.

W. ANEURIN JONES,
Superintendent of Inland Revenue.

Brooklands Ace Dies Flying

Owned A Private Airfield
Mr. Richard Ormonde Shuttleworth, chairman of Railton Cars, Ltd., and one of the best-known racing motorists in the country, has been killed in a flying accident. He joined the R.A.F. early this year.

Before the war he owned a fleet of airplanes and a private airfield on his 6,300-acre estate near Biggleswade, Beds. He was thirty-one, and unmarried.

STORY OF A NAZI INVASION

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have been extremely unwise to let the enemy know how much we knew of his preparations or of the effect on them of the R.A.F. hammering.

Nazis Couldn't Face It

ZURICH, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—More reports are circulating about the failure of German attempts to land in Britain, says the newspaper, "Volksrecht."

According to one report, barges for transporting troops were assembled at the mouths of the Scheldt and the Rhine in September.

Some of the troops destined for the invasion are said to have shown "little desire to allow themselves to be embarked for these rides to heaven."

British bombers—the report goes—dropped thousands of incendiary bombs, containing a special inflammatory mixture, on the barges.

On reaching the water, the barges are said to have made the river round the "sea of flame."

Many German soldiers, it is declared, suffered terrible burns and are now in hospitals in occupied territory.

The "Volksrecht" adds that the Dutch public firmly believes this story and refers to "eye-witness evidence" in connection with it.

Coastline Havoc

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The danger of an invasion of England is not considered past by authoritative London quarters although the damage done to enemy preparations along the 2,000 miles of coast from Narvik to Bordeaux in the last six weeks is tremendous.

Along the Dutch, Belgian and French coasts, docks, barracks, aerodromes, power stations, railways and naval arsenals have been wrecked by the Royal Air Force.

It is revealed to-night that at Dunkirk the quays between two of the main docks and several buildings have been levelled; at Brest attacks on the arsenal and aerodrome were equally successful; at Calais buildings at the south-east end of the dry dock were destroyed by fire, the east side of the dock was damaged; the lock between the inner basin and the navigation port suffered considerably and the electricity works are reported to have been almost destroyed.

Nazi Casualties

At Lorient buildings on the jetty have been hit and damage has been done to the torpedo boat station. Many casualties among German troops stationed there were caused when a nearby barracks was hit.

Outside the harbour mines laid by British planes sunk several ships. There is every reason to believe that the courage and determination of R.A.F. pilots in attacking the invasion bases has done much to undermine the confidence of the enemy.

Concentrations of enemy men and material have been bombed incessantly since September 5 and from every source, evidence has been forthcoming of heavy damage inflicted on the foe.

New Japanese Peace Overtures Reported

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sterile and costly attempts to overthrow Chiang Kai-shek.

The terms offered to Chungking are said to include: (1) The Yangtze area to be demilitarized; (2) five provinces in North China to form an autonomous state under Chinese suzerainty but Japan to have complete and sole economic control; (3) recognition of the independence of Manchukuo; and (4) Japanese concessions to be established in all ports.

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Toc H Activities

To the Editor, "The Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—We shall be very glad if you can make use of this letter, concerning the activities of Toc H both here and at home.

A Non-Stop Variety Entertainment entitled "Vaudeville" is being organized in aid of Toc H at work with the Forces in Britain. It is to take place on Thursday, November 7, at 9.15 p.m. and will be held in the West Lounge Theatre, Y.M.C.A., Kowloon.

David Kossiek is producing, and has got together a strong cast of local amateurs.

There is every indication that an excellent show will be the result.

The latest "Toc H Journal" to reach us—together with correspondence from Home Headquarters—gives news of great activity in the Home Front.

In the Orkneys, in the Midlands, at Southampton and countless other places, Toc H is seizing the opportunity for providing the homes with comfort and atmosphere which men so badly need. This applies not only to the Services but also to the great centres of industrial output where workers, we well know, are sparing no efforts towards our success.

To brighten their leisure moments and, more important, to refresh them in spirit just at this time when they are making such a vital contribution to our great cause—this is a task as urgent as the production of armaments itself.

As the undertakings of Toc H increase, so does its need of financial help, and Brigadier Sir Colin Jardine's appeal for Toc H on the B.B.C. has met with a grand response from the public at home.

Many parts of the Empire have also sent gifts, and one of £250 from Shanghai has just been acknowledged.

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7.15 London Relay—(Soprano)—and Mark Weber and His Orchestra.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—Piano Recital by Caroline Braga.

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8.25 Orchestra Selections.

8.45 Studio—Local Newsletter.

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.

9.30 Variety Programme.

10.00 An hour of Dance Music.

11.00 Close down.

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HITLER-FRANCO MEETING

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and navy against Britain or turning both over to the Axis.

The statement made in August that the Petain Government were handing over to the Axis 800 aircraft from North Africa is, not now believed. Probably not more than 100 aircraft were flown over to Marseilles.

Political Offensive
BASLE, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The political offensive has begun, says the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten," with the meeting of Hitler and Laval and "events must take place before the presidential election that will definitely exclude and render America's participation in the war impossible."

San Sebastian
MADRID, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—General Franco and Senor Suner are reported to be at San Sebastian.

Flattery of Franco
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent says that in London it is believed that Senor Suner adhered to his curriculum while on his visit to Berlin which, to the annoyance of the Germans, did not permit him to make political commitments.

Hitler may think that that by direct personal contact with General Franco he may be able to brush aside the difficulties which have hitherto faced his henchmen. He may think that Franco will be flattered by his visit into departing from his policy of non-involvement which has been adopted so far as best suited to the real interests of Spain.

Dictators Meet
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Hamburg radio said that Hitler arrived at the border by special train. The small station in occupied France

200 TRAPPED IN RAID DEBRIS

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were casualties only in one London area.

More Sleep For Londoners
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Between 60 and 80 per cent of London's population are obtaining more sleep to-day during air raids than they were a month ago, it is learned from Government investigations.

There is less grumbling at the inconvenience of air attacks, though these have intensified. There are no signs that the courage of the people is declining, but in the opinion of neutral observers, it is steadily increasing.

where he alighted was decorated with Spanish and German flags. The special train bringing Franco arrived shortly afterwards.

Hitler cordially greeted Franco on the platform and then welcomed Suner.

Himmler Leaves Madrid
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Herr Himmler, the Nazi Gestapo Chief, left Madrid yesterday morning by air for Barcelona.

Meeting Confirmed
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—An announcement in an English broadcast of the Hamburg Radio to-night confirms that a meeting took place between Hitler and Franco in which Ribbentrop and Suner took part and adds that the conversations "were conducted in the cordial spirit of comradely friendship that unites the two nations."

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Philippines Promise Military Aid to U.S.

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between the United States defence leaders and President Quezon, has increased the growing certainty that the United States intends to utilise the Philippines as a strategic base in the defence of her Far East interests.

Plans for Philippines
WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (UP).—The War Department announced to-day that two pursuit squadrons, one from Selfridge Field and one from Hamilton Field are being transferred to the Philippines.

The announcement of the transfer of two pursuit squadrons to the Philippines followed Colonel Simmons's conference with Senor Elizalde and Yulo regarding defences.

The destination of the 110 combination divebomber-fighter planes which were originally built for Sweden is now reported to be the Philippines.

It is also recalled that some planes enroute to Thailand were also requisitioned at Manila.

Air Corps headquarters said the standard size pursuit squadron is about 60 officers and between 200 and 300 enlisted men. They said the 17th squadron which is leaving Selfridge Field, Michigan, is probably about that strength.

Roosevelt Opens His Campaign

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various subjects permissible for campaigners.

"But it is an entirely different thing for any Party or any candidate to state, for example, that the President of the United States telephoned Mussolini and Hitler to tell Czechoslovakia down the river, or that the unemployed of the nation are going to be put into concentration camps or that the present Government means the end of American democracy within four years."

"You know that all these statements are untrue."

Mr. Roosevelt said that the American people would not be stampeded into a panic and they would not be swept away "by this blitzkrieg of verbal incendiary bombs" and the continued "verbal bombshells" which the Republican leaders have unloaded on this people.

Roosevelt Campaign
NEW YORK, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt will open his election campaign with a speech at Philadelphia to-night.

His speech will be broadcast and will be followed by others at New York on October 29, Washington on October 30 and Cleveland on November 2.

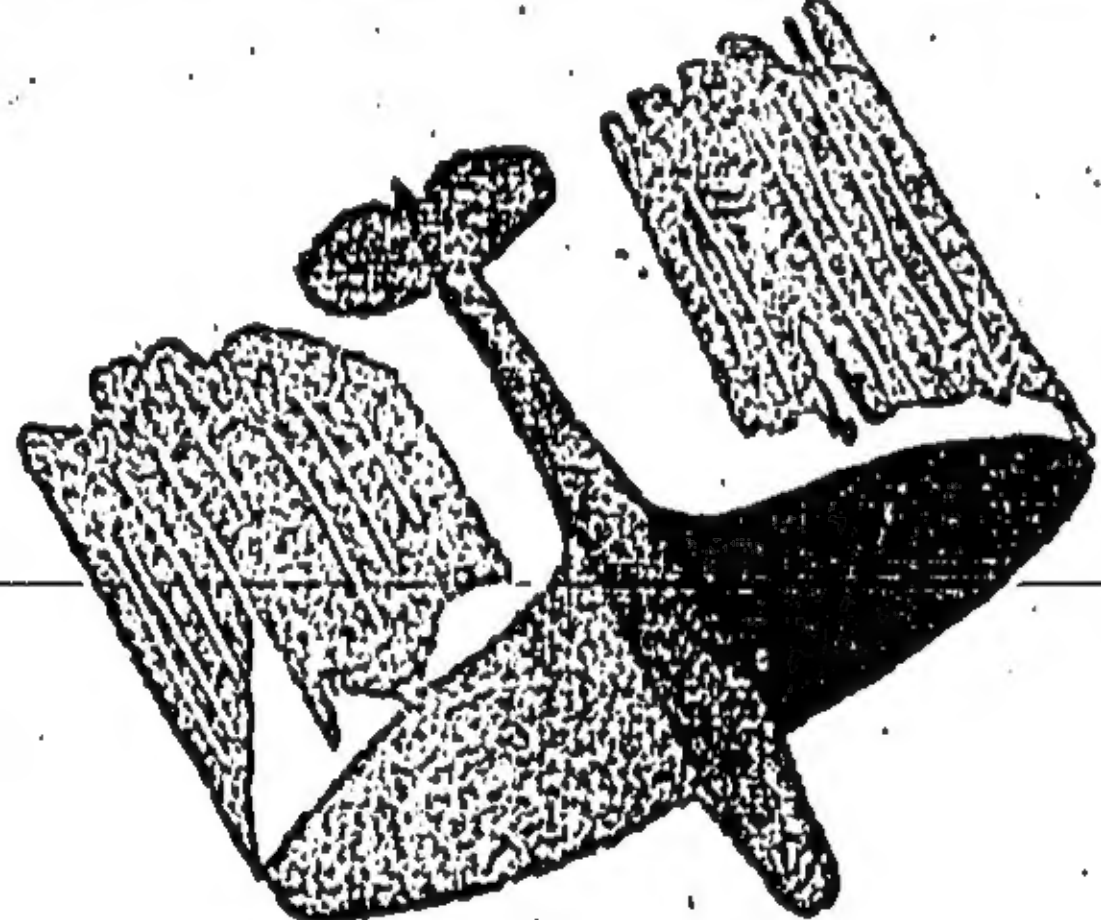
On November 4—election eve—he will make a final plea for re-election from the White House.

Governor-General Of Sudan

LONDON, Oct. 23 (British Wireless).—The appointment of Sir Stewart Symes, Governor-General of the Sudan, whose term of office was extended by the King of Egypt on the recommendation of H.M.G. was announced in the Commons to-day when the Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs stated that Lieut. General Sir Hubert Huddleston would occupy that position until Sir Kenneth Boddington, who was recommended to the King of Egypt for the appointment, was able to leave Nigeria, of which he is now Governor-General.

Stalin In Public

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Stalin made his first appearance in public since the death of Sir Hubert when, with M. Molotov and other officials, he attended the theatre festival performance.



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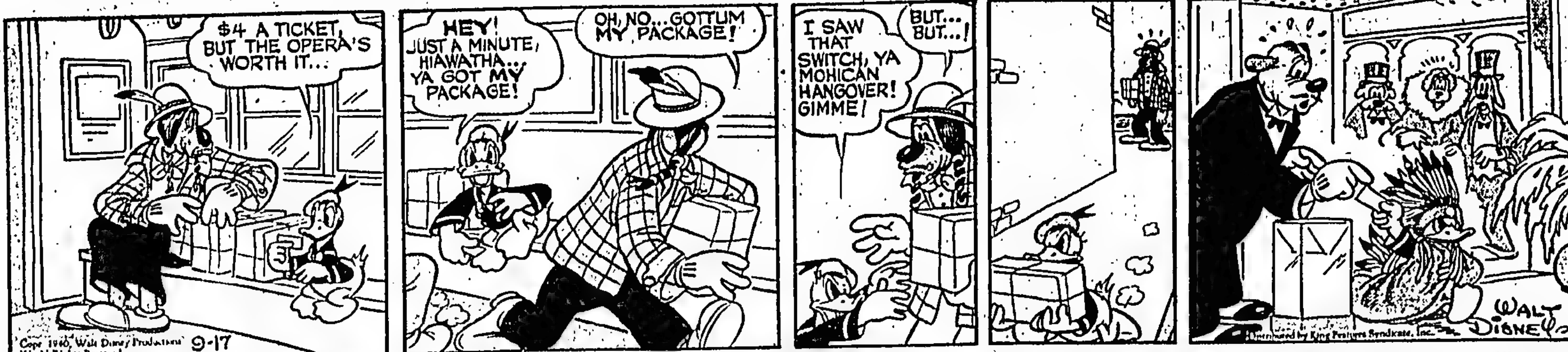
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MAGAZINE PAGE

The Fifth Column

3 Demoralisation Caused French Debacle

By Col. William J. Donovan and Edgar Mowrer.

The masterpiece of the "fifth column" was unquestionably the French debacle. Here everything that Hitler had promised came to pass with almost mathematical precision.

He did not strike until he was in touch with certain important Frenchmen who were ready to treat with him. He needed but one swift blow.

He terrified the soldiers by his noise-making engines, he demoralised the officers by the surprise and power of his attacks, he bewildered the generals by the daring of his strategic conceptions, he troubled the entire population by his radio propaganda that insisted that France was being betrayed by Britain and by the French "war-mongers."

He spread horrible rumours through villages, issued fear-some reports by wireless, and then, when the populations had congested the roads in their flight, machine-gunned them to heighten their panic.

Meanwhile, his agents within France, presumably by clandestine wireless senders, kept him informed of what was going on and he could thus choose the precise moment for Italy's entrance into the war when French disarray was at its climax.

As a result France was not only beaten far more thoroughly and far more easily than Poland, but unlike Poland, France cracked morally as well as a new set of leaders sought to purchase the German's mercy, if not his respect, by submission to France's conquerors.

Admittedly this could not have been accomplished save during a low ebb in French history. The French masses were increasingly remembering the experiments of the Popular Front Government of 1936-37, the latter resentful of the attempted Fascist coup d'etat in 1934 and the unpunished "Cagoulard" Fascist conspiracy later.

Moreover, the peculiar French form of parliamentary government was creaking and the bulk of the people had lost nearly all faith in their leaders. This enabled Hitler (and Mussolini as well) to keep up propaganda pressure, to open through the Communists, and prevent the output in the armament industries from ever reaching a satisfactory level.

The crucial test justified all Hitler's efforts: When the French soldiers had a chance of fighting on equal terms, they fought fairly well; when nothing but heroism could have made up for superior German equipment, the French infantry, reportedly deserted by their officers, melted away.

What happened to the French officers? Simply this: For the most part they had

Third of a series of dispatches on "fifth column" activities in Europe as released by Secretary of Navy Frank Knox.

And a majority of cynical and cowardly politicians rushed their country into one of the most contemptible surrenders on record. Just as Adolf Hitler had said they would.

What of Hitler's "fifth column" in Great Britain? Short of the supreme test, it is impossible to say for sure. What is evident is that during the appeasement period, the Germans spun a web of friendship for Nazi Germany among the more gullible or dissatisfied members of the ruling class.

It is obviously a triumph in so proud a country as Britain to have created even so weak a satellite party as the British Union of Fascists. Organisations like The Link, the Anglo-German Fellowship, the Christian Fellowship, duped any number of highly placed Englishmen.

Female members of British society were induced to look kindly upon Hitler's aims by the flattering attention of handsome young German aristocrats. British visitors to Germany never lacked congenial guides.

The fact that the British police found it necessary to arrest a member of parliament, Captain Ramsay, on the charge of having transmitted to the German legation at Dublin treasonable information given him by Tyler Kent, cipher clerk at the American Embassy in London, would seem to show that some of the many finely spun threads from Berlin to London still remain. One hears hints of a persistent "pro-Germanism" in the London city.

But it must be stated emphatically that the vast majority of the British, unlike the French, underwent radical change of heart after it became apparent that Hitler had duped Chamberlain at Munich, although there were still appeasers ready to try to bribe the Nazis to be good with a Hudson-Whitcomb plan for economic concessions to Germany.

Moreover, with British patriotism at the white heat of today under the threat of imminent invasion, the fate of confessed "fifth columnists" in Britain would be short and unenviable.

This time the British police were prepared for the war. At the opening of hostilities they jailed some 400 of the best German agents. Later raids tended to show that the backbone of the organisation was broken then. The involuntary confinement of over a thousand Britishers, mostly followers of Mosley, further cleared the air.

All in all, foreigners in Britain have the impression that the several branches of the competent British police are masters of the situation, and that the British soul was never really tainted by Nazi propaganda.

Everyone listens to Lord Haw Haw but his words arouse more laughter than belief. A nation that faces mortal peril with the grim joke: "Well, at least Britain has reached the final!" seems sound.

Nonetheless, many foreigners believe that if the worst should happen and an invasion of Britain occur, some positive and hitherto unrevealed fruits of Hitler's propaganda would appear in the shape of a not entirely insignificant British "fifth column."

Like the French, would find numerous reasons why Britain should rather "come to terms" with Hitler than continue single-handed a desperate struggle, the outcome of which is bound to contain some social change.

Whether such a "fifth column" could be in France come to supreme power is quite another story.

But these things are only the bones of Edinburgh's defence. Its flesh and blood are the Home Guard. And to see how well they do their job I spent an evening with one battalion on the south-west outskirts.

Parachutists were supposed to have dropped somewhere in the Lothians, the hills that close majestically round the city. Nobody knew how many parachutists, or just where they had dropped.

But the job of this battalion was to man its defences, hold off any attack, and, most important of all, send in accurate information.

Digging in

Here, in this field, are middle-aged men in shirt sleeves, digging themselves methodically in. Plenty of time here, they tell me, the Boche is away yonder in the hills yet, with quite a lot of little surprises in between.

We drive rapidly through the outskirts of the city. A man and a rifle materialise from a hedge, recognise us, and sink into obscurity again.

An officer points out to me a line of rifles lying hidden along the edge of a potato field.

We swing round a corner, and

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



City Is No Man's Land For Invaders

"I BELIEVE that three months ago, 2,000 parachutists dropped in the open spaces round this city could have taken Edinburgh," said a staff officer to me. "It's a very different story now."

By DUDLEY BARKER

Now it would take a tremendous enemy force to capture the capital city of Scotland, if it could be captured at all.

And the reason for this change of circumstances is simply the Home Guard.

There are several battalions of them, nearly all Scots. What could be more formidable than that?

Their city is ringed and ringed again with strong posts, and its centre is peppered with pillboxes. They gave the contract for camouflaging the pillboxes to an artist, a camouflage expert of the last war. He has done the job splendidly.

You notice, perhaps, a stretch of railing with some trees growing behind it. Not till you get close do you realise that the railing and the trees are paint, and a gun-muzzle juts unobtrusively in the foliage.

I myself passed at least three large pillboxes without realising they were there until it would have been much too late.

The Attack

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Digging in

more rifles follow us from a bend in a ditch. We drew up beside a rough stone wall, and the armed guard is there, too.

"We've sent for reinforcements, sir," says a cheerful Scotsman at a massive road block. "You passed the motor-cyclist on the way down. We've got a patrol out—the Boche is ahead there somewhere. And we cover all this valley across to the next post you."

Enemy Ahead

You can just see the next post, crouching behind a bush on the hillside on that side of the valley and if you push your way into a little ornamental garden on this, you stumble across a sandbagged circle, its rifles pointing away across the hills.

"We've got the little surprises fitted up, sir," says the Scotsman cheerfully.

They showed me one of the little surprises. Obviously I may not describe it in detail.

We are up now in the advance posts, and the parachutists cannot be far away. In fact, there are 50 of them ahead of us now—or there were.

"Plenty I can't send these reinforcements up in cars," grumbles an officer in support. "We told the advance section they were being attacked by 50 parachutists, and naturally expected they would ask for help."

But those lads wouldn't admit anything could beat them. They've sent back word they've mopped up all 50, and no help required—and God knows what else they're supposed to have done."

We found that section eventually, having a lovely time. They'd retired a bit, they admitted, because they'd just dealt with 50 Nazis and blown up a bridge to stop their advance, and suffered one casualty for whom they had sent back for stretcher bearers.

When asked how they had demolished the bridge one volunteered hopefully that they had done it with Mills bombs; another said nay, they had guncocked.

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HITLER WEAKENING

HITLER and his military machine have suffered three far-reaching reverses since the start of the European war. The first was the successful retreat of the B.E.F. from Dunkirk, when Hitler thought that he had the cream of the British army in his grasp, but discovered to his consternation that five-sixths of the trapped men had magnificently escaped; the second was the failure of his aerial blitzkrieg on England which was to pave the way for a successful invasion during September; the third has been the penetration of his so-called impenetrable defences by the Royal Air Force and the consequent bombing of Berlin and dozens of other highly important cities within the Reich and German-occupied areas.

And now there are indications that Hitler is already visualising ultimate defeat unless he can find better means of support than Italy. The German leader has tacitly admitted that, so far as he is concerned, the military situation *vis-a-vis* England in western Europe is a stalemate; in other words, that Britain has fought him to a virtual standstill on the western front. Now he must direct his attention to what he believes might be more vulnerable fronts—Africa and the Middle East. But here again he finds himself up against that tremendous obstacle, the British Navy, and realises that without corresponding nautical forces and strategic bases, his quest is doomed.

Hence the new intrigue with Laval and his pro-Nazi satellites for control of the French navy, French bases in the Mediterranean and French assistance in Africa. This manoeuvre is Hitler's first blatant display of weakness. It implies distrust of Italy's strength (German military leaders have never attempted to hide their feelings in this matter) and it admits an inability to make further progress without new contributing factors.

It would be premature to claim that Britain has Hitler on the run; but Britain has certainly made him pause and consider a situation for which the Fuehrer had made no previous provision. Slowly, but surely, the initiative is passing from Germany to the Allies; the days of spectacular Nazi victories are over; before them lies the drudgery of tactical warfare



CAUSE—AND EFFECT

"We will face whatever is coming to us. We are sure of ourselves and of our course."—Mr. Churchill.

BOHEMIA UNDER THE GERMAN HEEL

Apparently some Central Europeans thought that the Germans, as they gained fresh territories to the north and west, would become more tolerant towards their earlier enslaved peoples.

Even in the Bohemian "Protectorate" there were a few—a very few—who nursed such beliefs; they played up to the Germans in the hope of future reward. How completely they misread the National-Socialist mind is seen in the reports coming from Prague since the collapse of France.

Was Hitler to unteach *Mein Kampf* and repudiate the whole doctrine of the *Herrenvolk*, the German master race? In the German mind success elsewhere has meant that they can now afford, not to show a little leniency, but to be more ruthless in tightening the clamp.

The fresh wave of arrests in Bohemia began even before France collapsed. The Gestapo and S.S. men—swaggering youths for the most part—became aware of the muttering against them in Germany.

They were strutting through the streets of Prague and Vienna while fathers of families and their own less athletic brothers were in the firing line. To justify their soft jobs at home the Gestapo and Black Guards began quite suddenly to discover nests of rebellion in the most unlikely places. In Prague some of the men who had publicly welcomed the Germans a year ago—and had been reviled for it by their compatriots—were thrown into prison by the Germans.

After the collapse of France and the low Countries the arrests were widened in scope. Within recent days many Social-Democrats and Left-Wing politicians, hitherto unscathed, have disappeared.

Local government officials have followed them. The Mayor of Prague, Dr. Klapka, until recently patted on the back by the Germans for his complacency, is now arrested. So is the city's prominent official, Dr. Nestavak. With officials have gone many of the remaining educationists; and only the usual Gestapo news is heard of them.

Dr. Wenig (it has already been reported) has been tortured until his mind has given way. A brother professor of his in the Legal Faculty of the Caroline University, Dr. Matejka, is somewhere unknown. So

with every move producing a more telling counter-stroke; the word "blitzkrieg" has lost its real meaning; from now on it is the country who can stick it the longest that will win. We beat Germany in the last war because we could stick it; we shall do it again.

Specious Devices

In their usual way the Germans try to deceive foreign opinion by a few specious, demagogic devices. Wages (they say) have been increased; and they point to the two wages packets which the workers now receive, the first containing the wage at the old rate, the second ostensibly containing the amount of the increase given since the Germans entered Prague.

The Germans also declare that rationing in the Protectorate is less strict than in Germany itself. They pretend to show that they encourage Czech movements by pointing to the *Vlnjka* Party existing under their patronage. They do not point to the reverse side of these devices. Wages in some trades have indeed gone up a halfpenny an hour; but the worker has to pay either a third or two-thirds more for everything he buys in the shops. In reality he is far worse off financially.

Rationing is better than in Germany, but food is much scarcer than ever under the Republic. The *Vlnjka* Party exists—led by criminals whose police record started even "Von Neurath," the "protector." The rank-and-file of the party is composed largely of riff-raff or irresponsible. When the S.S. men in Prague egged the *Vlnjka* on to storm the officers of the Czech National Solidarity Party, the crowd booed the *Vlnjka* as robustly as the S.S. men.

The arrest of leaders of the National Solidarity Party is only one and not the greatest, of the measures lately taken by the Germans to stamp out the Czech way of life, political, economic, cultural.

All the relics of the former provincial autonomy under the Republic have now been scrapped. The provincial representative bodies, commissions, and committees have been dissolved.

Since March 15, 1939, they have not had executive power; but their dissolution now is taken by Czechs as yet another step towards the simple incorporation of Czech territory within the Reich.

Universities Closed

More significant are the barriers against Czech teaching. Universities and schools in Czech-Slovakia had much the place that they have in Scotland to-day; getting education was the goal of a young Czech and the source of pride to his parents.

No Czech university is now open. German scientific institutions are unwilling themselves of a recently given licence to take apparatus or books from a Czech university institute.

In some institutes little was left after the destructive excesses of last November; that little is now imperilled. The building of Czech elementary schools and secondary schools has been forbidden.

All building materials, it is said, are required by the military—but German schools are still being built. The stocks of publishers and book-sellers are confiscated *en bloc*; once again, "required by the military."

The economic life there is the same story of discrimination. For a number of reasons, not wholly German-made, industrial production has fallen by a third.

The lack of raw materials may be chalked up to the British account. Certain examples of faulty workmanship may be chalked up to the Czechs.

What is German-made is the deliberate closing of factories in the Protectorate and the sending of

their machinery to Russia and to South America.

Almost everywhere—except for some armament factories—the Germans are depriving Czech industries in favour of German. No less thoroughly German is the deportation of industrial workers to the Reich.

Under the latest compulsory labour law all Czech men from 16 to 70 have to work where their masters tell them. Probably hardly less than 300,000 have already been taken across the frontier. From the industrial area around Moravska Ostrava 11,000 were taken off within a few weeks. The deportations are carried out as ruthlessly from Bohemia as from Poland.

What is the Czech reply to all this? Part of it may be seen in a certain amount of bland and faulty workmanship. Part may be seen on the land. It is believed that the harvest will be less than half of normal, and it seems as though some farmers have returned to the 1918 tactics of growing only for their own households.

Last year they grew for others to harvest; they saw their produce taken off to Germany. Even this year the Germans have taken large stocks of potatoes—whether for food or for fuel alcohol is unknown. (Purchases of potatoes for Germany have been heavy in Spain.)

Most of all the Czechs bide their time and look for future deliverance. The British Government's recognition of the Czech-Slovak Government in London had a bracing effect in many parts of the Protectorate.

The people saw in it a signpost to happier and brighter ways than they have known under the Germans, for whom to protect means to stifle.

Shark Infested



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"THAT VILLAGE" RAIDED AGAIN

"That village" in a South-ern county which was selected a few weeks ago for bombing by Herr Hitler has been bombed again. "That village" consists of two duck ponds, one by the church and the other close to the pub, known to the older residents as the Club.

There is also a delightful old-world green round which are clustered some old houses, the most beautiful of them a Queen Anne house, with virginia creeper growing over its portals, ancient shutters safeguarding each room, and an old-world garden stretching away at the back with two well-known landmarks, a gigantic plane tree and an almost perfect beech tree; box hedges and snails.

The latest raid chose the Queen Anne house in which resides the largest family on the green, an old-fashioned family with many sons and daughters.

The shutters and the ancient thick brick walls suggested that no air raid shelter was necessary, so the schoolroom at the back of the house was appointed the place to which all the household should retire when there was an air raid, not that any member of the family thought that such a retirement would ever be necessary.

FALLING SHUTTERS

Some nights ago the shelter was tested. The curious hiccupping noise of a German aeroplane was heard overhead. Down the stairs from the old corridors rushed the family, and only just in time, for suddenly the shutters seemed to be falling inwards and then outwards, and there was a dull and appalling thump.

The shutters fell on the wooden floor with a clatter, and there was the sound of breaking glass; the window had gone, and the room was full of dust. The lights were at once put out and one of the daughters and her mother rushed into the hall to telephone to the A.R.P.

The family had to find other quarters, and finding, to their surprise, that the house still stood, retired to the heavily shuttered dining-room—and let the truth be told—all got under the spacious dining-room table—as much, that is, of their bodies as they could squeeze under it.

In a short time A.R.P. officials arrived, and a cursory examination showed that a very large bomb had fallen on the lawn behind the house a few yards from the room in which the family had been sitting. Nothing more was done until the morning came.

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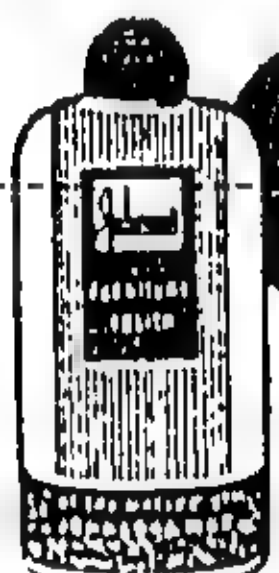
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"Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

MEN WILL HAVE HOCKEY LEAGUE AS USUAL: LADIES PLAY "FRIENDLIES"

Semi-Final Bowls Ties Two Good Matches To Be Decided

The semi-final matches in the Open Singles Bowls Championship of the Colony will be decided this afternoon on the Kowloon B.C.C. green.

F. J. Jones v. M. N. Rakusen
U. M. Omar v. M. R. Abbas

Both matches are due to start at 4.15 p.m. This is a wise step as the light gets bad so early these days, and it is unfair for the players to have to rush in the end.

Jones and Rakusen are club-mates, both playing for the Civil Service. Jones had a scare in his quarter-final match against W. J. Howard and was on the verge of being beaten, but Rakusen had a fairly comfortable passage against T. A. Madar. This match should produce a fairly even tussle.

Omar, the defending champion, will be opposed by a player who has never got so far before. The champion is playing at the top of his form at the moment and most judges of the game think he will win. But whether the match will be a good one to watch depends on how Abbas acquits himself.

JOSS WINS YACHT RACE

Yesterday's yachting over nine miles (started 2.30) resulted:

Joss	10.40.10 (N. E. Neve)	1
Le Linda	10.40.10 (N. E. Neve)	2
Jean	10.40.25 (H. Lawder)	3
Artemis	10.42.35 (C. C. Blake)	4
Gull	10.44.45 (A. O. G. Mills)	5
Atlas	10.52.11 (W. A. Ingram)	6

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Engineers Show Good Form Very Early

On the Club ground last Tuesday after a fast and strenuously contested game, Club and the Royal Engineers shared the honours. This result was quite satisfactory though the home side were rather lucky.

The Sappers, showing fine team work, settled down to their task immediately and with Denyer, Hornburg and Shaw playing well together, the Club defence had a tremendous tussle to keep them out. Exchanges were fairly even and the interval arrived with a blank score sheet.

The Sappers increased the pressure on resumption and after five minutes, Shaw completely outwitted Taylor and Thompson and, when Bonwell advanced to meet him, the inside-left found the net with a beautiful cross drive.

After this reverse, Club retaliated and some fine movements were seen between S. A. Fowler and T. Whitely, but owing to either E. Fowler or Smith being in an offside position they were unable to press home the advantage on reaching the circle.

CLUB EQUALISE

Two minutes before the end, however, S. A. Fowler broke through to

NOW THAT THE WEATHER has become cooler, hockey has come into its own again in the Colony. Any enthusiast who finds himself in King's Park during a week-end these days will confirm my statement.

The Hongkong Hockey Association is to run a League, but due to the evacuation of most of our ladies, no league fixtures will be played by the ladies this season. Nevertheless keen interest is being taken by most clubs in this great amateur game.

Hockey is one of the very few remaining wholly amateur games. Amateurs, in its best sense, is by no means merely a matter of non-payment of the players; it is something much more than that. It is the spirit of friendliness—something akin to the "family party" spirit—which pervades every aspect and manifestation of a game.

In order to preserve this spirit, it is quite essential that a game be intended, run and governed solely by the players of that game, and that it should avoid the introduction of what I may call the spectator element. Once the spectator is admitted and encouraged in any vital capacity, so that his presence becomes essential to what one calls the "complete success" of a match, something of real amateurism departs from the game. An element of entertainment value to those other than the players themselves is introduced; the spectator, having been encouraged to come and having paid to see the game, develops his "rights" in return for his money. One need not look far in order to find other games around which, although the players are, or are supposed to be, amateurs, there is an element of prestige, news-value and press-encouraged ballyhoo which is far from the spirit of real amateurism. We do not want to risk introducing this into hockey.

THE SPECTATOR

At present, hockey keeps the spectator in his proper place: it

neither invites nor repels him. The game is played for its own sake and all the most important club fixtures and others are played with complete indifference as to whether there are ten spectators or 500. The spectators do not matter. The game is supremely and healthily indifferent to them.

This, I submit, is the real spirit of amateurism. The game, but the "entertainment," is the thing.

One of the greatest joys of hockey is that one can stroll onto any ground anywhere, and watch any game one chooses. There is no boost or advertisement; therefore, nobody goes except those who are genuinely interested in the game. One is asked no questions and charged no gate-money; one has no feeling of watching a spectacle which has been staged for one's entertainment or over which one has any "rights."

Rather, one has a feeling that one is, for the time being, a guest at someone's party—as indeed one is—and that, therefore, one must behave with the courtesy and manners of a guest, accepting freely what is freely set before one and claiming no rights of over-free criticism.

We are having League games this season; the number of spectators will probably increase, but let us play this game of ours for the game's sake.

put the Club on level terms. To some, he seemed to be offside but it was difficult to judge in the twilight and the Engineers were wearing dark colours.

The Sappers were the better team and the superiority of their forwards, whose combination frequently had the Club defence out of position, was the main attraction in this keenly fought game.

Croston was outstanding at centre-half. Bowling at right-half and Goodwin at left-half were always prominent.

Club attack showed less cohesion than usual and though Taylor, W. A. Reed and McEldown formed a good middle line, Thompson and E. V. Reed gave their halves little support.

The Club team as a whole failed to play with dash and resolution. If the Engineers maintain the brilliant form shown so early in the season, there will be few teams to beat them.

(H. K. Club)



STOUT FELLER

"Where are you going with that axe?"

"I'm going to do a little deforestation, Bertie. There's a tree outside I've taken a dislike to. I shall fell it with one fell swoop."

"Rather early in the morning for tree felling, isn't it?"

"The early woodcutter gets the first tree, you know. Besides—it's an ugly tree. There's something offensive about that tree. Come to think of it, it rather reminds me of you, Bertie."

"Well—I must confess I didn't expect to see you chopping trees this morning and smoking a

whacking big black cheroot. Not after last night..."

"I don't like the way you say 'not after last night.' I detect a certain enmity in the tone—a certain undercurrent of bitterness. You ought to be surprised to see me absolutely bristling with fol-de-vivre."

"I merely marvel at your powers of recovery."

"You needn't, Bertie. It's all due to Rose's Lime Juice, you know. Prevents morning sickness after the night before. Just the thing before you go to bed. And now, Bertie, with your permission I'll step out and deal our unsuspecting arboreal friend a couple of shrewd cracks with my little axe."

Khalsa Defeat Y.M.C.A. In Fast Game By 3-2

IN A FAST GAME at King's Park last Saturday, Khalsa Hockey Club defeated a strong "Y" combination by 3-2.

Pyara Singh, playing at centre forward for the visitors, scored the first goal and G. Singh added the second before the interval. Kariminder Singh made the victory certain for his side when, in the second half, he found the net with the best goal of the match.

Credit for these goals, however, must be shared by the entire forward line, which displayed cleverness and combination, particularly the right wing.

M. H. Hassan, though slow at

times, was the best of the Indian halves. Mohinder Singh, at left half, worked very hard but spoilt a good afternoon's display with his wild cleanness. He must bear in mind that the duty of a half-back is to feed his forwards and not to hit the ball at random.

Old Radio Players

The two backs, Man Singh and Grewal could not settle down to any combination, and though the latter was good at tackling, the former was too conspicuous with his robust methods. Makhan Singh gave a fair account of himself in goal and has the makings of a good keeper.

Nearly 90 per cent. of the Khalsa team are ex-Radio players, and all are experienced men. They should give a good account of themselves in the coming League.

Y.M.C.A. reduced the arrears in the first half through Ure, who beat Makhan Singh with a grand reverse stick shot, and in the latter period through D. Smith from a short corner hit.

Need For Sharpshooter

In the closing stages of the game, the "Y" attack combined well and their stickwork was much better, but the need for a sharpshooter remains.

The wing halves, Kempton and Waldron, played very well indeed, the former in particular with his grand marking and feeding. Jordan and his partner at back had lapses. Yourief was badly missed at left back.

Benwell, playing his second game in goal during the same afternoon, gave a fine display with the exception of one error—he left his charge too soon in trying to tackle the Khalsa right-winger, and the third Khalsa goal resulted.

On the whole it was a very even game which the "Y" were unlucky to lose.

(H. K. Club)

NAVY "A" DEFEAT CLUB "A"

Carter's Two Good Tries

(By "Fly-half")

On the Club ground yesterday evening, Navy "A" made Navy's first appearance for this season against a Club team and, by a well-balanced display, won by 11 points (two tries and a goal) to three points (a try).

The Naval team included last year's recognised half combination of Clark and Carter. The former is to leave us soon and I am sure with him will go the good wishes of all local rugby enthusiasts, players and spectators alike.

A player who made his first appearance in local games outside of trial games was McGill, of Shanghai Interport fame.

The Club team also included some 1st XV players of this and yesterday in Stewart, Castleton, Kennedy, Needham, Thompson and Stout, probably with a view to testing these players as potential 1st XV selections and yet not altogether that as Stout played full-time as a wing, three quarter and Needham the first half, after which he and Dalziel changed places.

Carter Forceful

Carter played a forceful game at stand-off half for the Navy and scored two good tries. McGill was a strong runner on the right wing. He received good support from Honeywell of Navy soccer fame. Clough, at full back, was steady and kicked to touch whenever in position, a lesson Thompson, Club's back, must learn if he wishes to avoid endangering his line. The Navy forwards played well as a pack.

Stewart for Club, except for occasional spurts, was lackadaisical and took things far too easily. Clemo gave a good service from the base of the scrum with one fault of lobbing a little. This gave Carter an opportunity for which he had been on the look-out from the kick-off, that of interception. He cut in fast between Clemo and Morgan in the second half to gather the former's

pass and carry on with a grand sverve past Thompson to score Navy's third try. Kennedy and Gairdner were Club's best forwards.

The Scoring

After twenty-five to twenty-five play, Navy forwards carried the play to near the Club's line where they were checked. The ball went to Carter who brushed past a couple of Club players to score an unconverted try.

Some time later, McGill, who had just previously been tackled head-on by Thompson when he had only the goal-back to beat, outsped the Club defence to score mid-way out. The kick failed. This concluded the scoring in the first half.

Navy went further ahead when Carter intercepted between the Club halves and went on to score near the upright, a converted try. Then Stewart for the Club picked up near the centre in a Club three move—ment which had been checked, and with the Navy's three level with him, he shot forward to outrun Clough and score under the bar. He failed to convert. From now onwards Club strove hard to reduce the Navy lead further but the final whistle blew with the Club on the offensive without showing any ability to score.

Navy: Morgan, Grace, Wilson, Faulkner, McGill, Carter, E. A. Wilson, Ingalls, Richards, Beattie, Longmuir, Jones, Taylor, Thompson, P. D. Wilson, D. H. Stewart, G. F. Needham, E. W. E. Headman, W. Stoker, N. G. Castleton, M. G. Gairdner, A. M. Kennedy, A. G. Dalziel, J. Rogers.

Club Rugby Teams

The following will represent Club first and "A" fifteens in friendly Rugby matches against Royal Navy on the Club ground on Saturday: 1st XV (4.30 p.m.)—F. M. Thompson, D. H. Stewart, G. G.

NEWSY NOTELETS

I AM glad the H.K.H.A. have decided to run a tournament. Most clubs share the opinion that they are entitled to something for an affiliation fee of \$5 a year. Certainly for the tournament are Central British Association, Khalsa Hockey Club, H.K. Police, Club de Recreo, Royal Corps of Signals, Engineers and Nomads. I should like to see the Y.M.C.A. and the H.K. Hockey Club in the tournament as well. It is true that most of the Club players are from the C.A. and elsewhere, but I am certain that they could pick a decent team with at least 30 players to choose from. Although the Army has a Large and Small Units Tournament, a few entries from some of the different companies and units would certainly make the Association Tournament more interesting. The Royal Engineers so far have been the only staunch supporters.

The Police "All Indian" team has been seen in action twice and, I must say, wants a great deal of strengthening should they wish to go far in the tournament. I hope the European members, Parker, Blackburn, Gough, Howlett, Brown, Wall, Jackson and Rothwell have not forsaken the game.

INFORMATION has reached me that useful work is being done by L/Cpl. Dove of the Royal Corps of Signals. He has held quite a few classes of umpiring for Service members who are anxious to pass their Umpire's test, which him success and hope that he keeps it up.

V. M. Benwell, our Interport goal-keeper, is certainly taking a great interest in the game. Apart from being a member of the Association Council, he is Captain of the Club and Y.M.C.A. teams. In all, he runs five teams a week; three from the "Y" and two from the Club. This takes some doing. Well done, Benny.

CLUB de Recreo, I hear, are fielding some young recruits in their 1st XV this year. The Portuguese have always been in need of new blood, especially in attack, and I am sure these youngsters will give a good account of themselves. Most of the older members, I notice, are interested in softball.

WITH the evacuation of our ladies, the H.K.H.A. are not running a League this winter. I understand there are quite a few teams left in the Colony, but I have not had the opportunity to comment on their strength as yet. However, the C.B.A. ladies meet St. Andrew's at King's Park this afternoon. I shall be there to see teams in action.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS SUSPENDED

Fraser, Royal Scots, was yesterday suspended indefinitely by the Emergency Committee of the Football Association, for ungentlemanly conduct towards the referee, Mr. Emmons, after the second division league match against Kit Chee on October 6 at Sookunpo.

Chan Kwong-ye, Police, was suspended for a month for violent conduct and persistent foul play against St. Joseph's in a first division match on Sunday.

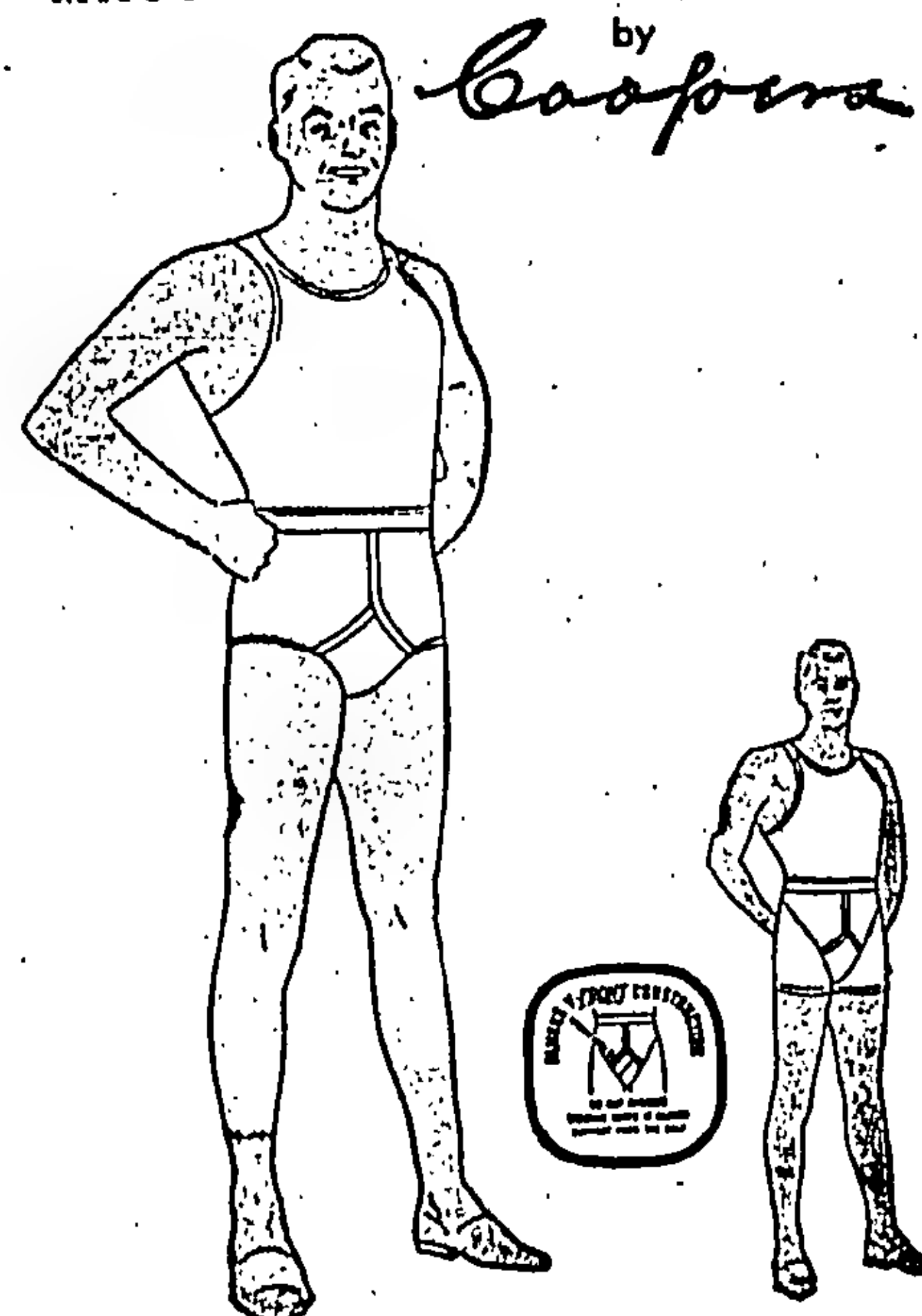
At a meeting of the Management Committee, the application of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation for affiliation was favourably recommended to the Council. This new Club intends to play friendly matches during the season, and their players will be eligible for representative teams.

The Management Committee accepted the proposal that the annual Referees and Press match be the curtain-raiser to the Poppy Day match on November 11 on the Club ground. The match will begin at 2.30 p.m. and will be followed by a combined Services versus the Inter in aid of Earl Haig's Poppy Day Fund.

The following were selected last night to represent the Rest—Cheong Kien-chol (Sing Tao); Blackburn (Police); Lee Tin-sang (Sing Tao); Pope (Police); Williamson (Kowloon); Hsu King-sing (Eastern); Cheung Yung-sam (Eastern); King-cheong (Sing Tao); (Capt.) Chan Tak-fai (South China); Lee Wai-long (South China); Hau Ching-to (Eastern); Heesover, D. Leonard (St. Joseph's); Lai Shiu-wing (Sing Tao); Tsang Chuan (South China); F. Fowler (Club); Soong Ling-sing (Sing Tao); Cheung Kiu-hoi (Eastern); Fowler (Police); R. M. Omar was appointed manager.

Attenhead, D. G. Day and D. I. Bosanquet; J. C. Charter and J. Thompson; I. McRae, J. S. Dunnett, R. E. Headman; R. G. Gairdner, F. Needham; A. M. Kennedy, E. W. R. Hackett and A. J. C. Taylor (Capt.). "A" XV (3.15 p.m.)—H. F. Hopkins; H. Van Leeuwen, D. Hynes, M. G. Carruthers, T. Jones; T. O. Morgan and F. J. D. Clemo; E. W. Stout, R. G. Castleton, R. S. Lee; C. M. Stark, G. G. Davies; Dr. Thomas, G. B. Godfrey and A. G. Dalziel.

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DAKAR SEQUEL Gibraltar Attack Questions

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuters).—"We shall know how to deal with any further attacks by forces of the Vichy Government," declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons to-day.

He made this reply when asked whether consideration would be given to reprisals against the French forces supporting the Vichy Government, who had been "carrying on a systematic bombardment of Gibraltar recently."

Asked whether he would admit that there had been bombardment of Gibraltar by French forces, Mr. Butler said: "No. It would not pay to add anything to what I have said or infer anything from it. There was a certain incident and I have given a certain answer."

Black-Out Exercises End of This Month

New black-out exercises are to be held in Hongkong at the end of this month, according to a notification issued by the Director of Air Raid Precautions.

The exercises will take place on the nights of October 29/30 and 30/31. The black-out will automatically commence at sunset on October 29 and will remain in force until sunrise on the morning of the 31st.

The Government Black-out Order of 1940 will be strictly enforced. During the exercises air raid alarm signals will be sounded during which time all road traffic must cease and all lights must be extinguished and remain thus until the "Raiders Passed" signal is given.

Prince With Free French Forces

Von Starhemberg

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuters).—Prince von Starhemberg, former Austrian Vice-Chancellor, is now a Lieutenant in the Free French Air Force.

BATAVIA TALKS No Japan—D.E.I. Oil Agreement

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuters).—"No agreement has been reached and negotiations are still proceeding," declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons to-day when questioned on the subject of Batavian oil supplies for Japan.

Mr. Butler added that both the British and United States Governments were being kept fully informed regarding the progress of negotiations. Decision about the general character of any arrangement for the future rested with the Government of the Netherlands East Indies.

Replying to further questions, Mr. Butler said that there was complete co-operation between the governments concerned.

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This was revealed by Capt. H. H. Balfour, Under-Secretary for Air, when questioned on the subject in the House of Commons to-day.

U.S. Is Prepared To Defend Philippines

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (UP).—The Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, to-day declared that the United States navy is prepared to defend any territory under the American flag.

He expressed his belief that the United States had a "moral obligation" to help South America to re-arm. He revealed that the navy had already shipped guns, equipment and supplies to several nations, but so far no ships had been sent to any of the South American countries.

Colonel Knox said: "We can defend anything and we are not indifferent to the security of land anywhere under the American flag." The statement came in reply to questions concerning the navy's intentions of defending the Philippines and other outlying Pacific possessions including Guam, Wake and Midway islands. "While these territories by the American flag, the navy is ready to defend them," the Colonel concluded.

Grave Danger

BALTIMORE, Oct. 23 (UP).—The Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sum-

Japanese Legation In Australia?

TOKYO, Oct. 23 (Reuters).—A Japanese Legation is to be established in Australia, subject to the approval of the Privy Council, says a Japanese report.

The special committee of the Privy Council this morning began deliberations on establishing a South Seas Affairs Bureau in the Foreign Office and the opening of a Legation in Australia.

Premier Visits Scotland

East Coast Defences

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuters).—The Prime Minister, accompanied by Mrs. Churchill, paid a surprise visit on Tuesday to East Scotland for the purpose of inspecting coast line defences. Accompanied by a number of British and Polish army officers, Mr. Churchill made an extensive tour on foot, by car and special train, and later he expressed satisfaction with all the preparations that he saw.

Travelling Costs At Home Increased

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuters).—The worker and the season ticket holder escape the six per cent increase on existing railway fares which comes into force on December 1, announced Col. Moore Brabazon, Minister of Transport, in the House of Commons to-day.

There will be no increase on the London passenger transport system except for the coach service. The burden of higher charges will fall on the casual traveller and on the rates. The charges were increased ten per cent in January last.

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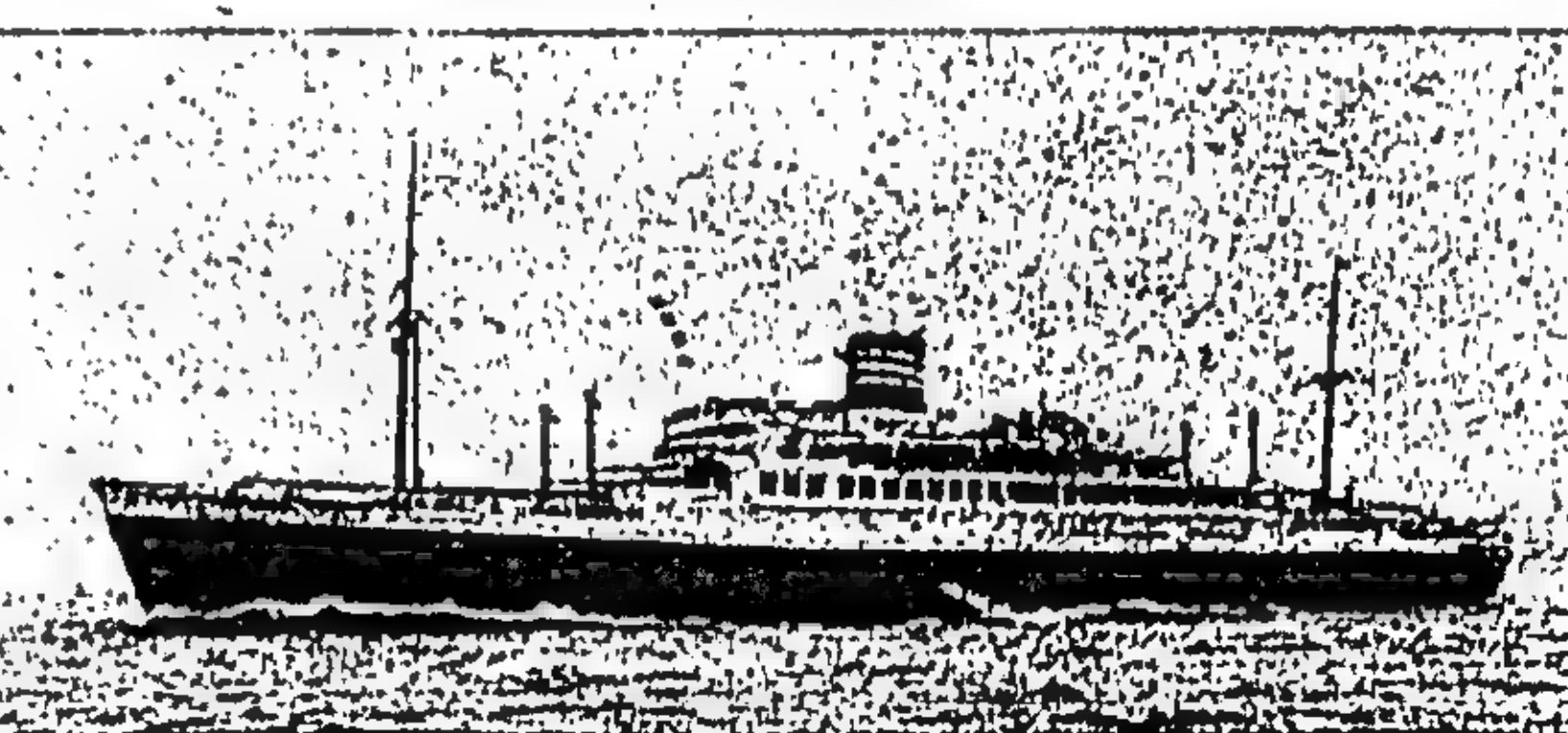
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NEW U.S. CONSUL IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Oct. 24 (Central News).—Mr. Frank Pratt Lockhart, new U.S. Consul-General in Shanghai, arrived in Shanghai aboard the President Coolidge yesterday morning.

Mr. Lockhart is succeeding Mr. Clarence Edward Gauss who has been transferred as U.S. Minister to Australia. He was formerly U.S. Consul-General in Tientsin and Councillor of the U.S. Embassy in Peking. He will assume office within this week.

Mr. Jean Paul-Boncour, newly appointed Councillor to the French Embassy in China, and M. Roland de Margerie, new French Consul-General in Shanghai, arrived there by the same President liner yesterday.

Profiteers In Greece

ATHENS, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Twenty out of 40 persons arrested in Athens for hoarding sugar and coffee for profiteering have been sentenced to deportation to one of the Aegean Islands for a year. Sentence is still to be passed on the 20 remaining prisoners.

Those arrested include the proprietor of one of the largest hotels here, several bankers and three well-known Greek journalists.

Aden's New C-in-C.

LONDON, Oct. 23 (British Wireless).—The King has been pleased to accept the resignation of Lieutenant Colonel Sir Bernard Reilly, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Aden, and has approved the appointment, as his successor, of Mr. J. Hathorn Hall, now British Resident in Zanzibar.

Sir Bernard, who is 58, had many years' experience in Aden when it was administered from India and was appointed the first Governor when the colony was transferred to the Colonial Office in 1937.

Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Shanghai	385
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	105
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	22 1/2
T.T. Manila	45 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	149 1/2
T.T. Saigon	100
T.T. France	Nom.
T.T. Switzerland	97
T.T. Australia	1/8 1/2
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4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	22 1/2
4 m/s France	Nom.
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.02 1/2

65 JAPANESE TO LEAVE BOMBAY

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Sixty-five Japanese passengers are expected to leave Bombay shortly in a Japanese ship, according to the Delhi wireless.

Another Japanese ship is sailing from Bombay later with more Japanese including, it is expected, almost all Japanese women and children in Bombay.

Evacuation Advisory Committee Meeting

It is announced that a public meeting of the Evacuation Advisory Committee will be held on Saturday, October 26, at 9 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Colonial Secretariat.

Only those women who have applied to the Committee for bearing to person and have been requested to attend the meeting will be heard.

NO NEED FOR BRITONS TO LEAVE SAYS CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Oct. 24 (Central News).—In view of the cordial relations now existing between China and Britain there is no necessity for British subjects to evacuate Free China, declared a spokesman of the British Embassy in Chungking.

The spokesman added that while no instructions had been issued for the evacuation of British subjects in Japan and the Japanese-controlled areas in China, the Government would advise those who wish to leave or who have no special reasons to remain, to evacuate as soon as possible.

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Gayda's New Fairy Tale

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, Oct. 23 (UP).—Signor Gayda, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" said the six warships which were torpedoed in the Red Sea as mentioned in yesterday's communique were sunk, all crews and reinforcements aboard were drowned, and all war materials and equipment were lost.

According to dispatches from Massawa the drowned soldiers were mainly New Zealanders and the war material which was lost was mainly spare parts for motorized units from the United States.

Burma Rd. Traffic Ignores Raids

CHUNGKING, Oct. 24 (Reuter).—Traffic on the Burma Road has not been affected by Japanese air attacks, according to information received here.

Only minor damage has been caused to the Road.

The possibility of armed escort for convoys of lorries on the Road is being discussed.

With the interruption of mail service between Yunnan and India, the Chinese Post Office is establishing a through mail service between China and Burma with headquarters at Lashio, Burma.

All international mails to and from China will be taken by the Burma Road in future.

Burma Rd. Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CHUNGKING, Oct. 23 (UP).—It is reliably reported that about ten Japanese planes again bombed points between Mengtze and Kooih in Yunnan to-day, but details are lacking.

The air raid alarm was sounded in Kunming from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

BRITAIN ROSES MINESWEEPER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 23 (UP).—The British minesweeper H.M.S. Dundalk has been sunk by an enemy mine with some casualties among the crew, an Admiralty communique stated to-day.

Berlin Children Evacuated

Stockholm, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Arrangements have been made for 75 special trains to take children from Berlin under the Government's voluntary evacuation scheme, states the Berlin correspondent of the "Aftenblatt."

Polish Embassy Staff Arrested

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—All members of the Polish Embassy in Rumania with the exception of the Ambassador, have been arrested.

Gifts Of Spitfires

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Madras Governor's war fund has sent £15,000 to buy three Spitfires.

The Northwest Frontier Provinces Fund has now passed the £10,500 mark.

The name "Gibraltar" is to be given to a Spitfire subscribed for by the British residents of the Rock.

Central Europe Quakes

Many People Injured
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—According to the Bucharest press, many persons were injured in earthquakes on Tuesday, and there are other earthquake reports from Bessarabia, Kelf, Kharkov and other districts in the Ukraine. Further tremors are shaking the Carpathian and Caucasus regions.

Envoy Expected To Return To London

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Disclaiming any knowledge of Ambassador Kennedy's plans, Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, told a Press conference to-day that "as far as I know," the Ambassador would be returning to his post in London.

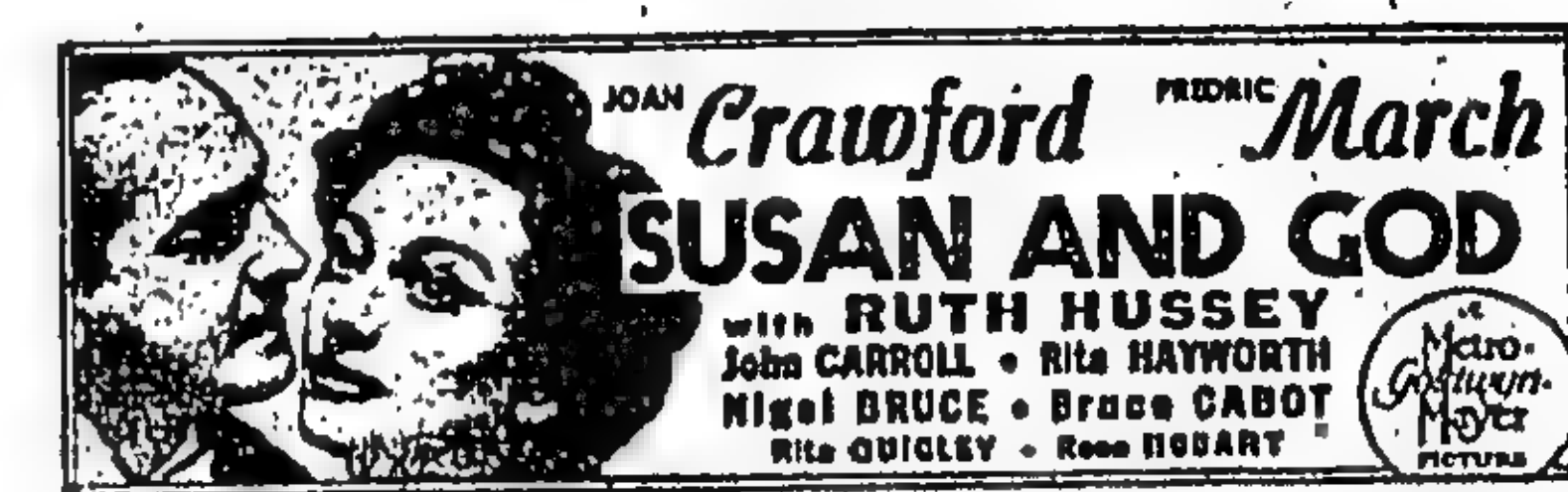
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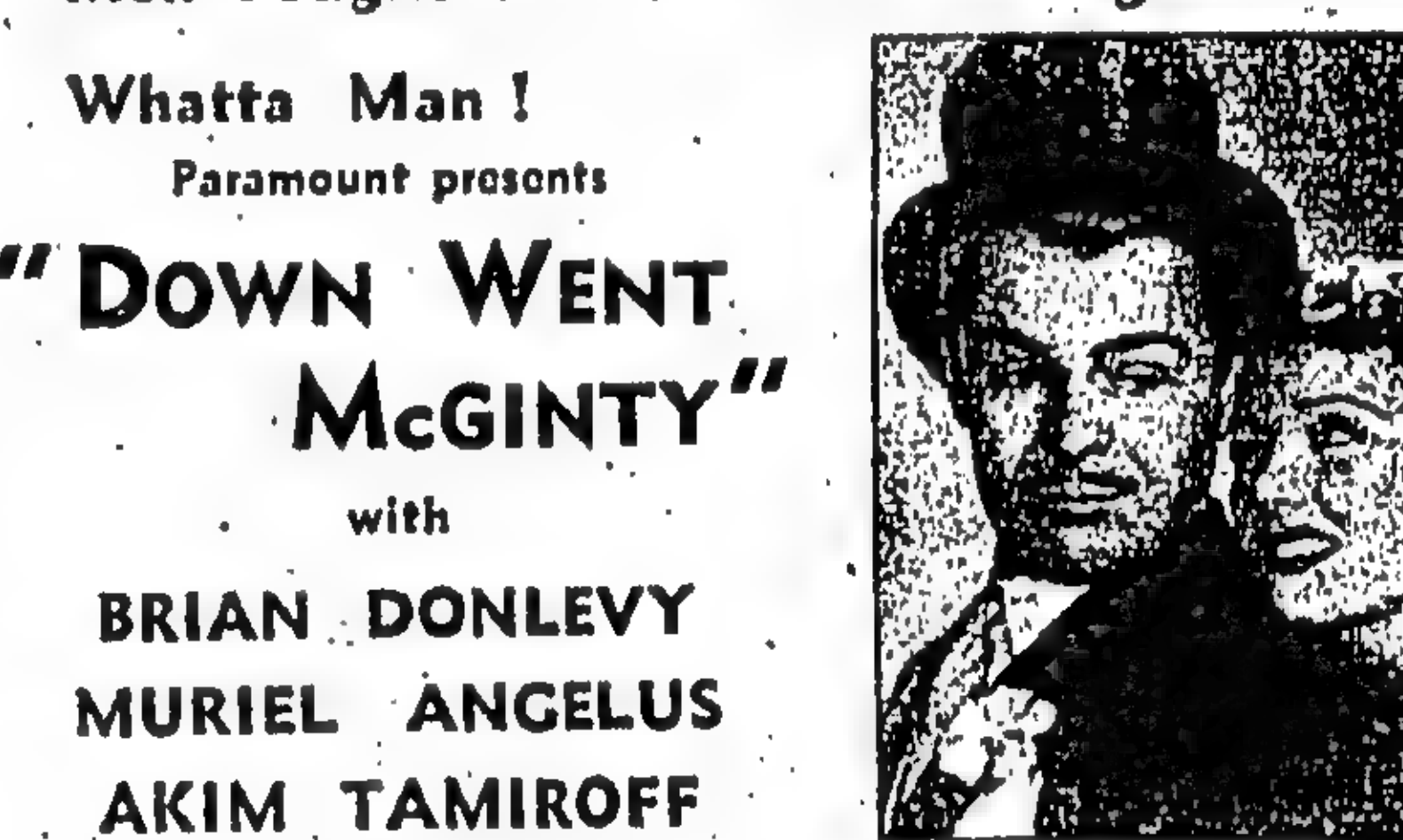


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Good Trade Figures To Help Us Win The War

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Despite intensification of enemy activity, the export of United Kingdom goods was fully maintained in September.

This was the most notable feature of the trade returns issued to-day.

The average value of exports per working day in September actually exceeded the corresponding figure for August. The total exports of United Kingdom goods in September amounted to £31,100,000, which substantially exceeded the total of £22,000,000 in September, 1939.

After a year of war, overseas trade figures testify to the success of the British Export Council's efforts to find and develop alternative markets in view of the prevailing European conditions.

During the six months ended August 31 this year, the United Kingdom's exports to countries outside Europe and the Mediterranean area had been above the year earlier. The aggregate increase for the period is £20,000,000 or about 20 per cent.

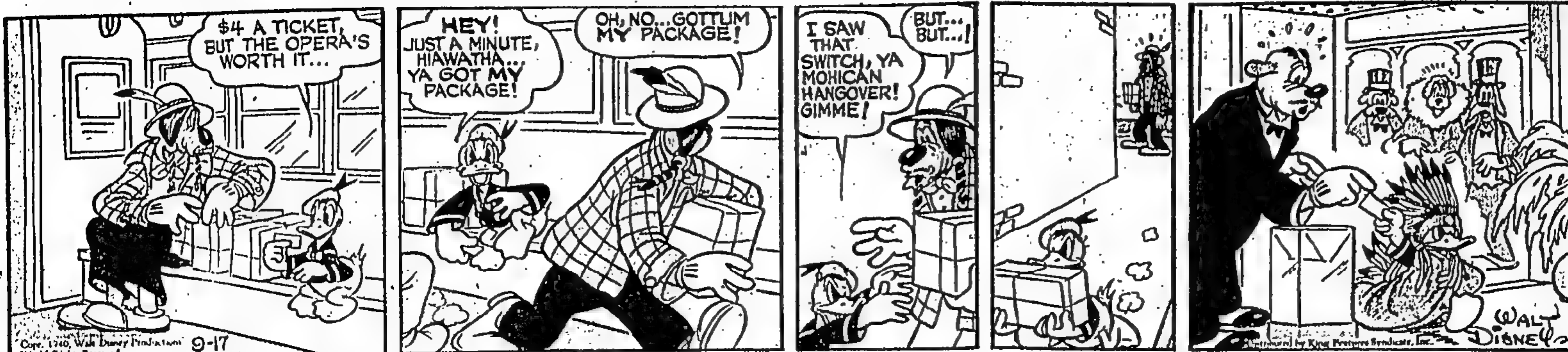
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The Fifth Column

3 Demoralisation Caused French Debacle

By Col. William J. Donovan and Edgar Mourer.

The masterpiece of the "fifth column" was unquestionably the French debacle. Here everything that Hitler had promised came to pass with almost mathematical precision.

He did not strike until he was in touch with certain important Frenchmen who were ready to treat with him. He needed but one swift blow.

He terrified the soldiers by his noise-making engines, he demoralised the officers by the surprise and power of his attacks, he bewildered the generals by the daring of his strategic conceptions, he troubled the entire population by his radio propaganda that insisted that France was being betrayed by Britain and by the French "war-mongers."

He spread horrible rumours through villages, issued fear-some reports by wireless, and then, when the populations had congested the roads in their flight, machine-gunned them to heighten their panic.

Meanwhile, his agents within France, presumably by clandestine wireless senders, kept him informed of what was going on and he could thus choose the precise moment for Italy's entrance into the war when French disarray was at its climax.

As a result France was not only beaten far more thoroughly and far more easily than Poland, but unlike Poland, France cracked morally as well as a new set of leaders sought to purchase the German's mercy, if not his respect, by submission to France's conquerors.

Admittedly this could not have been accomplished save during a low ebb in French history. The French masses were increasingly remembering the experiments of the Popular Front Government of 1936-37, the latter resentful of the attempted Fascist coup d'etat in 1934 and the unpunished "Cagoulard" Fascist conspiracy later.

Moreover, the peculiar French form of parliamentary government was creaking and the bulk of the people had lost nearly all faith in their leaders. This enabled Hitler (and Mussolini as well) to keep up propaganda pressure, often through the Communists, and prevent the output in the armament industries from ever reaching a satisfactory level.

The crucial test justified all Hitler's efforts: When the French soldiers had a chance of fighting on equal terms, they fought fairly well; when nothing but heroism could have made up for superior German equipment, the French infantry, repeatedly deserted by their officers, melted away.

What happened to the French officers? Simply this: For the most part they had

Third of a series of dispatches on "fifth column" activities in Europe as released by Secretary of Navy Frank Knox.

ceased to believe in freedom, democracy or any of the slogans which alone could galvanize the entire country.

While not exactly pro-Fascist (and certainly not pro-German), they were hostile to the Third Republic; many had come to believe that an authoritarian regime like that of Italy and Germany was really preferable.

It would, they thought, save the position of the privileged classes; and really save France from the disagreeable necessity of defending itself. If there was to be a war, then let it be against the Bolsheviks.

In other words, at least half and perhaps the majority of influential French citizens had come to believe what Hitler wanted them to believe.

How had Hitler accomplished this? By patient activity. For years his agents in France, Friedrich Sieburg the author, Otto Abetz, "pro-French" consuls like Nolde, many others, had "worked" the French leaders.

When necessary they were assisted by beautiful women: The Baroness von Eimem, the Princess von Hohenlohe and others of lesser brilliance.

They "got in" with certain of those leading French women who, at the moment of defeat, exercised such a devastating influence on certain French statesmen. They went everywhere, saw everybody, came to know everything, dipped into French politics through scandalously venal French newspapers.

To the weak and the cynical they preached defeatism; to the unsuccessful, hatred of the Jew; to all the possibility of living on good terms with Germany, if only France would break relations with the Bolsheviks and "money-minded" Britain, cease meddling in Central and Eastern Europe and propitiate the Italians by the gift of some "unimportant" French territories.

For years this sort of thing went on more or less in broad daylight. During the appeasement period the Germans were actually aided by certain members of the British Embassy in Paris.

Not until two months before the outbreak of the war did anyone dare to take action against the numerous German agents—and then the vacillating Daladier talked big and did little.

A hesitant officer class brought about sure defeat for the army. The army's defeat frightened the army leaders, lost the soldiers seek scapegoats among the generals.

And a majority of cynical and cowardly politicians rushed their country into one of the most contemptible surrenders on record. Just as Adolf Hitler had said they would.

What of Hitler's "fifth column" in Great Britain? Short of the supreme test, it is impossible to say for sure. What is evident is that during the appeasement period, the Germans spun a web of friendship for Nazi Germany among the more gullible or dissatisfied members of the ruling class.

It is obviously a triumph in so proud a country as Britain to have created even so weak a satellite party as the British Union of Fascists. Organisations like The Link, the Anglo-German Fellowship, the Christian Fellowship, duped any number of highly placed Englishmen.

Female members of British society were induced to look kindly upon Hitler's aims by the flattering attention of handsome young German aristocrats. British visitors to Germany never lacked congenial guides.

The fact that the British police found it necessary to arrest a member of parliament, Captain Ramsay, on the charge of having transmitted to the German legation in Dublin treasonable information given him by Tyler Kent, cipher clerk at the American Embassy in London, would seem to show that some of the many finely spun threads from Berlin to London still remain. One hears hints of a persistent "pro-Germanism" in the London city.

But it must be stated emphatically that the vast majority of the British, unlike the French, underwent radical change of heart after it became apparent that Hitler had duped Chamberlain at Munich, although there were still appeasers ready to try to bribe the Nazis to be good with a Hudson-Wohlthat plan for economic concessions to Germany.

Moreover, with British patriotism at the white heat of to-day under threat of imminent invasion, the fate of confessed "fifth columnists" in Britain would be short and unenviable.

This time the British police were prepared for the war. At the beginning of hostilities they jailed some 400 of the best German agents. Later raids tended to show that the backbone of the organization was broken then. The involuntary confinement of over a thousand Britishers, mostly followers of Mosley, further cleared the air.

All in all, foreigners in Britain have the impression that the several branches of the competent British police are masters of the situation, and that the British soul was never really tainted by Nazi propaganda.

Everyone listens to Lord Haw Haw but his words arouse more laughter than belief. A nation that faces mortal peril with the grim joke: "Well, at least Britain has reached the final" seems sound.

Nonetheless, many foreigners believe that if the worst should happen and an invasion of Britain occur, some positive and hitherto unrevealed fruits of Hitler's propaganda would appear in the shape of a not entirely insignificant British "fifth column."

Like the French, would find numerous reasons why Britain should rather "come to terms" with Hitler than continue single-handed a desperate struggle, the outcome of which is bound to contain some social change.

Whether such a "fifth column" could be in France come to supreme power is quite another story.

Philippines Promise Military Aid To U.S.

Washington Talks

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (UP).—Reaffirmation of the Philippines' promise to co-operate with the United States in the defence of her Far Eastern interests was given to-day by Colonel Henry Stimson, Secretary of War, by Senator Elzalde, the Resident Philippine Commissioner in Washington and Senator Jose Yulo, Speaker of the Philippines House of Assembly.

It is stated that the Philippines officials had a cordial conference with Colonel Stimson to whom they presented President Quezon's promise to co-operate in every way with the United States defence scheme.

It is understood they discussed the broad outline of the Far East defence problems and stressed that 150,000 trained Filipino militia who, for two years had been under the personal direction of the former Chief of Staff of the United States Army, General MacArthur, would be available if needed.

Senator Elzalde submitted to Colonel Stimson the obvious logic of sending materials and equipment to the Philippines in order to arm the militia as a part of the United States defence forces in that area.

The conference, occurring simultaneously with conferences in Manila between the United States defence leaders and President Quezon, has increased the growing certainty that the United States intends to utilize the Philippines as a strategic base in the defence of her Far East interests.

Planes For Philippines
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (UP).—The War Department announced to-day that two pursuit squadrons, one from Selfridge Field and one from Hamilton Field are being transferred to the Philippines.

The announcement of the transfer of two pursuit squadrons to the Philippines followed Colonel Stimson's conference with Senators Elzalde and Yulo regarding defences.

The destination of the 110 combination dive-bomber-fighter planes which were originally built for Sweden is now reported to be the Philippines. It is also recalled that some planes enroute to Thailand were also requisitioned at Manila.

Air Corps headquarters said the standard size pursuit squadron is about 60 officers and between 200 and 300 enlisted men. They said the 17th squadron which is leaving Selfridge Field, Michigan, is probably about that strength.

Gayda's New Fairy Tale

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ROME, Oct. 23 (UP).—Signor Gayda, writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" said the six warships which were torpedoed in the Red Sea as mentioned yesterday's communication were sunk, all crews and reinforcements aboard were drowned, and all war materials and equipment were lost.

According to dispatches from Massawa the drowned soldiers were mainly New Zealanders and the war material which was lost was mainly spare parts for motorized units from the United States.

Central Europe Quakes

Many People Injured
LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuters).—According to the Bucharest press, many persons were injured in earthquakes on Tuesday, and there are other earthquake reports from Bessarabia, Kief, Kharkov and other districts in the Ukraine. Further tremors are shaking the Carpathian and Caucasus regions.

Gifts Of Spitfires

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuters).—The Madras Governor's war fund has sent £25,000 to buy three Spitfires. The Northwest Frontier Provinces Fund has now passed the £10,500 mark.

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HITLER WEAKENING

HITLER and his military machine have suffered three far-reaching reverses since the start of the European war. The first was the successful retreat of the B.E.F. from Dunkirk, when Hitler thought that he had the cream of the British army in his grasp, but discovered to his consternation that five-sixths of the trapped men had magnificently escaped; the second was the failure of his aerial blitzkrieg on England which was to pave the way for a successful invasion during September; the third has been the penetration of his so-called impenetrable defences by the Royal Air Force and the consequent bombing of Berlin and dozens of other highly important cities within the Reich and German-occupied areas.

And now there are indications that Hitler is already visualising ultimate defeat unless he can find better means of support than Italy. The German leader has tacitly admitted that, so far as he is concerned, the military situation vis-a-vis England in western Europe is a stalemate; in other words, that Britain has fought him to a virtual standstill on the western front. Now he must direct his attention to what he believes might be more vulnerable fronts—Africa and the Middle East. But here again he finds himself up against that tremendous obstacle, the British Navy, and realises that without corresponding nautical forces and strategic bases, his quest is foredoomed.

Hence the new intrigue with Laval and his pro-Nazi satellites for control of the French navy, French bases in the Mediterranean and French assistance in Africa. This manoeuvre is Hitler's first blatant display of weakness. It implies distrust of Italy's strength (German military leaders have never attempted to hide their feelings in this matter); and it admits an inability to make further progress without new contributing factors.

It would be premature to claim that Britain has Hitler on the run; but Britain has certainly made him pause and consider a situation for which the Fuehrer had made no previous provision. Slowly but surely, the initiative is passing from Germany to the Allies; the days of spectacular Nazi victories are over; before them lies the drudgery of tactical warfare.



CAUSE — AND EFFECT

"We will face whatever is coming to us. We are sure of ourselves and of our course." — Mr. Churchill.

Story of A Nazi Invasion Which Never Came Off

LONDON, Oct. 23. (Reuter). — Details of Hitler's preparations for invasion of England were disclosed officially to-night.

The Air Ministry news service points out that only part of the story can as yet be told, but this part shows that from the first day that the enemy concentrated his forces in every available port and harbour, the R.A.F. carried out reconnaissances.

In the early days of September, the reports of these aircraft brought back showed only small concentrations of men and material, but as time passed they became more and more imposing, and before long hundreds of barges and other war materials were assembled at Antwerp, Calais, Dunkirk and Ostend.

Many barges were observed from the air daily to be moving slowly from one canal to another. Small warships were also moved near the barges. These barges were self-propelled, over 150 feet in length and each capable of carrying about two train-loads of men or material.

It was also known that Germany had commandeered every available barge of over 500 tons and armies of workmen were employed in shipyards altering the bows of these vessels to enable tanks to be easily carried and disembarked.

Besides concentrations of barges, there were also submarines in many harbours—some of ocean-going type—large motor vessels, tugs and merchant ships. Forty-five merchant ships were reported at Le Havre on one occasion.

Inland new aircraft shelters were being built on many aerodromes from which it was expected that enemy aircraft would assist in the invasion. Railways too were particularly busy, especially between Germany and the Low Countries.

Thwarted By R.A.F.
It was on September 5 that a strong R.A.F. offensive against the enemy was begun. Each invasion base in turn came in for heavy bombardment. Naval docks and shipbuilding yards at Kiel, Hamburg and Bremen were bombed as well, and extensive damage was also done to occupied areas along the Dutch and Belgian coasts.

The Air Ministry news service emphasised that until lately it would have been extremely unlikely to let the enemy know how much we knew of his preparations or of the effect on them of the R.A.F. hammering.

Nazi Couldn't Face It
ZURICH, Oct. 23 (Reuter). — More reports are circulating about the failure of German attempts to land in Britain, says the newspaper "Volksrecht".

According to one report, barges for transporting troops were assembled at the mouths of the Scheldt and the Rhine in September.

Some of the troops destined for the invasion are said to have shown "little desire to allow themselves to be embarked for these rides to heaven."

British bombers, so the report goes, dropped thousands of incendiary bombs, charring a special inflammatory mixture, on the barges.

With every move producing a more telling counter-stroke, the word "blitzkrieg" has lost its real meaning; from now on it is the country who can stick it the longest that will win. We beat Germany in the last war because we could stick it; we shall do it again.

Governor-General Of Sudan

LONDON, Oct. 23 (British Wireless). — The appointment of a successor to Sir Stewart Symes, Governor-General of the Sudan, whose term of office was extended by the King of Egypt on the recommendation of H.M.G. was announced in the Commons to-day when the Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs stated that Lieut. General Sir Hubert Huddleston would occupy that position until Sir Kenneth Boulton, who was recommended to the King of Egypt for the appointment, was able to leave Nigeria, of which he is now Governor General.

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CHINESE WATCHMAN CHASES SUSPECT DESPITE GUN

Despite being shot in the hand, a courageous Chinese watchman, Chan Chung, of the Cheung Hing Timber Yard, Cheungshawan, chased and caught two of three men who, after committing an armed robbery in a hut in Shamshupo, attempted by force to induce the master of a junk to convey them across the harbour.

The affair occurred about 3 a.m. yesterday morning. Tsang Lok, a farmer, who lived in an unnumbered hut in So Uk Village, Shamshupo, was awakened from sleep by three men, two armed with knives and one with a revolver, who threatened the occupants of the hut and bound and gagged them.

The robbers stole money, jewellery and clothing valued in all at \$270.75, and escaped in the direction of Cheungshawan.

Link No. 2705 was lying off Cheungshawan at the time, loading timber. Kwok So, the master, saw three men climb over the bow of the vessel. A man with a revolver ordered him to stop work, but Kwok put up a struggle and succeeded in throwing him into the water. The man then swam towards shore, followed by his two companions who also jumped into the water.

Hue And Cry
Chan Chung, watchman of the timber yard, observed the hue and cry, and seeing three men climb out of the water, chased them, assisted by

MUNSANG COLLEGE APPEAL

Trustee Case

After a week's adjournment, hearing of the appeal concerning Munsang College was continued before the Full Court, comprising Mr. Justice E. H. Williams and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser, yesterday.

The appeal was brought by Messrs. Rufus Huang, Headmaster, Wong Sun-yin and Lee Siang-to and was against an order made in Chambers by the Chief Justice that Mr. Huang cease to be a trustee of the College.

The respondents were Dr. S. W. Ta'o and Messrs. Lam Taz-fung and Mok Hing-shung, the other trustees of the College.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., appeared for appellants on the instructions of Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, of Hastings and Co. The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almeida, instructed by Mr. M. H. Turner, of Deacons, represented respondents.

Mr. Potter referred to letters exchanged between the solicitors concerning the transfer of trust property. He submitted that Mr. Huang was perfectly justified in refusing to transfer the trust property until he had been indemnified for the loans which he had raised on his own responsibility, in view of the fact that Dr. Ta'o held him liable for them. A list of the loans was subsequently sent to Messrs. Deacons, who replied that as regards the first three of \$10,000 each the Council had, in various ways, admitted liability and that with regard to the others they would likewise do so if Mr. Huang produced documentary evidence.

Surprising Request

Mr. Potter commented that this was rather a surprising request because what would be more conclusive evidence than that the new school building had already been handed over to the Council.

Counsel next referred to what he described as a remarkable letter from Messrs. Deacons but added that he believed it must have been written on mis-instructions. The letter suggested that Mr. Huang incurred the liability without the knowledge and consent of the Council, and that what had been done was done at his own peril. There was nothing to justify such a suggestion, said Mr. Potter, unless it was made on mis-instructions, for after all the Council had got the building.

Correct Accounts

After submitting that the accounts kept by Mr. Huang were not only not in a muddled state, as alleged by Dr. Ta'o, but had been duly audited and found to be correct, Mr. Potter summarised his arguments, which had taken nearly two and half days, as follows:

(1) up to the end of 1933 the complete responsibility, financial and otherwise, of the school rested on the shoulders of Mr. Huang;

(2) between 1932 and 1938 the pupils increased from 250 to 600, which was largely due to Mr. Huang, bearing in mind that he was responsible for the running of the school during this time;

(3) the Government was so impressed by the work of the school that it gave a grant of \$40,000;

(4) Mr. Huang realised at an early date that if it was left to all the College members to run the school, and with that end in view he, by his own exertions and those of the teachers and pupils (and in which the co-trustees played no part whatever), raised the whole of the money necessary for the purchase of the land;

(5) Mr. Huang eventually enlisted the sympathy of the Government to such an extent that they promised a grant of \$15,000 and agreed to forego the cost of conversion of the land which would have amounted to over \$40,000;

(6) the school inspectors had nothing but praise for the work of Mr. Huang and his teachers;

(7) Mr. Huang was compelled to finance the school and every item of money raised by him had been accurately accounted for.

Obstacles Raised

Mr. Potter concluded by submitting that in view of the work Mr. Huang had done during his 14 years with the School he should not have been dismissed. On the other hand, the respondents by putting every obstacle in his way and by subordinating their feelings against him to the good of the College, should be removed.

Replying for the respondents, Mr. D'Almeida submitted that the Chief Justice's order, which the best anyone could have made, because in the interests of the school, it was the only proper course which Mr. Huang could have adopted.

Mr. Potter had stated that there had never been any attack upon the sincerity, character and honesty of Mr. Huang, and to this he entirely agreed. "But honesty and sincerity," he themselves Counsel added, "are not sufficient to qualify a man to act as a board of governors, as distinct from being the sole trustee, and my submission is that the state of affairs and circumstances make it clear that Mr. Huang is unfit to be a trustee of the College."

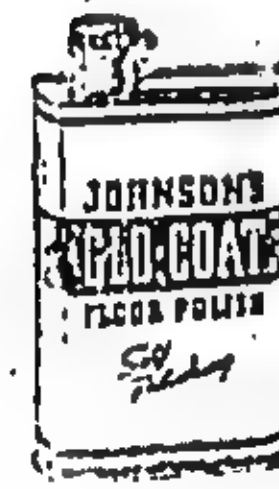
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Special German Envoy Dispatched To Moscow

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NEW YORK, Oct. 23. (UP). — A special German envoy "who represented Hitler during the Axis negotiations between Italy, Germany and Japan in Tokyo" is now en route for Moscow where he is arriving within a few days," declares a Paris official radio report quoted by the National Broadcasting Company to-day.

TOKYO SHORT OF RICE

State Control Imposed
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, Oct. 23. (UP). — The Japanese Government today promulgated State control of rice, which is Japan's staple food, effective from November 1.
This control is said to be essential in enforcing a wartime food policy. All rice harvested this year excepting amounts for farm families consumption will be placed under Government control.

Japanese Ambassador
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
MOSCOW, Oct. 23. (UP). — The newly appointed Japanese Ambassador to Moscow, Lieutenant-General Tatekawa, arrived here to-day accompanied by Mr. Haruhiko Nishi, former Minister to Warsaw but now Minister to Moscow, and the Embassy Counselor, Mr. Kikuo Miyakawa.
They were met by Vice-Commissar for Foreign Affairs Vladimir Barkov and the Soviet Secretary to the German Embassy.
"It is understood that the new Japanese Ambassador will present his credentials to President Kalinin on October 25.
His appointment will be placed under Government control."

PEER ATTACKS H. G. WELLS

Not Fit To Speak For U.K.

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"I think it is dangerous to allow a man of this type to go to America," declared Lord Winterton in the House of Commons to-day when, in a lengthy attack on H. G. Wells, he questioned the propriety of Wells being granted an exit permit in order to carry on a lecture tour in the United States.

Lord Winterton referred to Wells' reference to Lord Halifax as the "quintessence of everything an Englishman should not be" and Wells' description of Lord Gort as "our praying General."

Lord Winterton added: "I happen to be an extensive reader of Addison, Steel and Pope. I can imagine one of them saying of this attack, 'Sir, these are indecent words, may, they are worse, they are blackguardly.'"

Wells, Lord Winterton continued, had for years been attacking our religion and constitution. Here Lord Winterton referred to an occasion when he (Lord Winterton) was present at a lunch in America at a meeting of an Inter-Governmental Committee. "There were present the Governor of New York, the Archbishop of the Roman Catholic Church, the Mayor of New York—himself a devout Catholic—and representatives of the Episcopal Church, the Methodist Church and the Jewish religion."

"I was struck with the fact that throughout the very eloquent speeches there was a very strong feeling of unity of the different faiths, and yet we allow Wells to go to the United States as a representative of Britain and British literature—a man who prides himself as being an opponent of all religions and who says there is no such thing."

A Sixth Column

Lord Winterton added: "There is another and more sinister explanation of Wells' conduct. France was not only betrayed by her Lavalists and other traitors of the Right or by Communists of the Left. There was another class of sixth columnists who for years past had tried to shape the fate of Frenchmen in all the spiritual and material institutions of France. These people, Mr. Wells professed a hatred of Nazism and they abused and insulted their fellow countrymen. Like Wells, they believed in nothing and nobody."

Capt. O. Penke, Under-Secretary of State for Home Affairs, declared that the grant of an exit permit did not give any sort of official standing or status.

Carol And Lupescu In Spain

Extradition May Be Sought

NEW YORK, 23 (Reuter).—King Carol and Madame Lupescu are being kept under surveillance by the Spanish police, it is reported. It is not confirmed that the ex-Rumanian King and his mistress have been arrested but it is said that they have been moved to new quarters at a greater distance from the Portuguese frontier.

The extradition of the king and his favourite may be sought by the Rumanian authorities on charges arising from the death of Codreanu, former chief of the Iron Guard, during the Carol regime.

At Seville Hotel

MADRID, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Ex-King Carol is reported to be staying at a hotel in Seville and enjoying freedom at last inside the hotel although he is "under vigilance."

An earlier report said he and Madame Lupescu had been taken from Seville to Granada.

De Valera Offers Sanctuary

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—It was Mr. Valera, Eire Prime Minister, who suggested that mothers and children from the bombed areas should be given sanctuary in Eire. "Reuter" understands.

Mr. De Valera was moved to do this by feelings of distress at the sinking as the liner City of Benares with the loss of 70 children on their way to Canada.

When the news came of this tragedy, Mr. De Valera put the suggestion before his Ministers so that arrangements might be made as soon as possible by the British Government.

9,000,000 Shells Per Year From Sydney

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Sydney's production of 9,000,000 shells annually is envisaged by the Australian Government, it is revealed in a report which Australian delegates have taken to the Eastern Group Conference at New Delhi.

Australia is within reach of producing most of the material needed for defence and offence, and is overcoming her deficiency in machine tools to an extent not thought possible a year ago.

MORE MEN CALLED UP

Britons Of 35 To Register

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—An indication that the army is now in a position to absorb more men is provided by the announcement that men of 35 will have to register for service on November 9 and November 16. The great majority of these men will have reached the age of 35 but not 36, and a small minority will be not quite 35.

Therefore one group and a half will be left before another royal proclamation further extending registration dates is necessary.

The question of another royal proclamation does not immediately arise. Over three months have elapsed since the last registration. There is no information with regard to when the next age groups beyond the present call will be asked to register but it may be several months. As many of the men affected by the new registration are in reserved occupations, it is not possible to estimate the number who will be available for the Forces.

2,000 Jews In Mediterranean Seek A Home

Pitiful Plight

ATHENS, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Two thousand Jews are at present adrift in the East Mediterranean waters in a desperate effort to reach Palestine. They are in four small steamers, some of which were never intended to be taken to the open sea. At least one is a tiny Yugo-Slav paddle steamer from the Danube without accommodation for a large number of passengers.

Most of the passengers in the other steamers are women and children from Austria. Nearly all are suffering from poor food and bedding conditions.

As they are without visas, they must be anxious about their chances of being allowed to land in Palestine. Two of the ships are at Candia and Lavreion, and another increased the parlousness of the passengers' plight by grounding in an isolated spot south-east of Crete.

France Won't Fight Us

Is General Belief

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Well-informed sources here scoff at the idea that France can be persuaded to fight her old ally, Britain. Even if Laval is willing, it is doubtful if Petain could be persuaded or if he could persuade the French people.

It is declared here that the suggestion was made to the French authorities many weeks ago as the price for the return of Paris, but it was rejected.

The belief is that France will not enter the war on the Axis side and that if Germany pushed Laval too far in this direction, the Vichy administration will collapse and it will be very difficult for the Germans to put up any French substitute.

It is suggested that one of the chief German purposes in attempting to secure some form of French co-operation is to bring about the demobilisation of the considerable French armies still fully mobilised and on a war footing in North Africa.

Death Sentence For French Admiral

VICHY, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Admiral Muselier, Commander of the Free French Naval Forces, has been sentenced to death by the military tribunal in Toblou.

The charges against him were attempts against the safety of the State, and provocation of insurrection and insubordination.

The Admiral was also sentenced to degradation of rank.

Trade Parley Halted

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Negotiations which were proceeding between the Hungarian and Rumanian trade delegations have been interrupted, according to a Bucharest telegram to the official German news agency.

HONGKONG PHOTOGRAPHER WINS NEW HONOURS



Hitler Would Give Indo-China To Japan

ZURICH, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Axis Powers recently laid the following proposals before the Vichy Government according to reports to the newspaper "Volksrecht" from Berne.

1. France to hand over Alsace Lorraine to Germany and Nice to Italy.
2. Tunis to be divided between France and Italy; Algeria to remain French.
3. France to hand the northern part of Morocco to Spain.
4. The remaining French African Colonies to be jointly administered and exploited by France, Germany and Italy.
5. France to hand Indo-China to Japan.
6. France to place her Mediterranean Fleet and the Air Force stationed in North Africa at the disposal of Germany for use against Britain.

If these conditions were accepted, Germany would evacuate the major part of occupied France except for the Channel ports and the so-called closed areas from the Swiss frontier across Burgundy to the Belgian frontier and the Somme.

Those Against

These proposals, the newspaper says, were submitted and examined at a special meeting of the Vichy Government and, following agitated discussion, were rejected by a majority. Marshal Petain and General Weygand, supported by several other Ministers, spoke against acceptance.

What decided the issue was the consideration that the Vichy Government could not prevent the French Colonies from declaring for General de Gaulle should the proposals be accepted.

Laval and Baudouin, Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister respectively, and Admiral Darlan, it is stated, supported the proposals.

After the demands had been rejected, says the "Volksrecht" correspondent, Laval went to Paris again and began the present negotiations.

Churchill Anticipated

The correspondent declares, "It is believed that these events were the reason for Mr. Churchill's broadcast on Monday to the French people. It is declared that opposition between Petain and Laval has become more acute and it is believed that Laval has been obliged to conduct negotiations with Hitler and Ribbentrop on a new basis."

In these circumstances, great importance is attached to Weygand's journey to North Africa with which may be connected the official Vichy statement that France intends to defend her Empire against every eventual aggressor.

The American authorities in Vichy have advised Americans to leave France, says the correspondent.

The next of kin have been informed.

Humanitarian Decision

Medical Stores For France

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The British Government is prepared to facilitate the importation into France and other occupied territories of medical stores destined to be essentially and exclusively for the assistance of the sick and wounded.

This is clear from a dispatch from the Ministry of Economic Warfare in London to the International Red Cross in Geneva.

The dispatch also gives the answer to the open letter published in the "New York Times" and signed by James Wood Johnson, ex-President of the American Volunteer Ambulance Corps in France, pointing out the danger of disease and epidemics in France this winter and saying that it was possible to mitigate this danger without in any way relaxing the total blockade of enemy-controlled territory.

The Ministry's dispatch says that the British Government is prepared, in accordance with the recognised principle of international law, to allow importations as above but will exclude substances which are capable of medical use but are not exclusively medical in character, such as foodstuffs and food extracts, clothing, blankets, fuel and household requirements.

STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange to-day was narrowly irregular and business again was small.

Home rails were supported in view of the expected higher charges. Oil-rigged stocks, after an early improvement, closed around the previous levels.

Industrial leaders registered small gains. Among the oil shares, Trinidad Petroleum Development advanced 1s. 3d. to 15s. 3d. following the news that the company was seeking authority to increase its capital.

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Mr. Sit Tze-Kong, winner for two years running of the champion prize in the "Hong Kong Telegraph" amateur photographic contest, has just received news of gaining new honours. Competing in the Iowa State Fair and Exposition at Des Moines this year, Mr. Sit secured second prize with his entry "Old Woman" which is reproduced above. In addition others of his entries were selected as outstanding work. Several other Hong Kong amateur photographers who compete annually in the "Telegraph" contest competed at the Iowa State Exposition, although Mr. Sit was the only one to gain an award.



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"Pilgrim's" Hockey Notes

MEN WILL HAVE HOCKEY LEAGUE AS USUAL: LADIES PLAY "FRIENDLIES"

Semi-Final Bowls Ties Two Good Matches To Be Decided

The semi-final matches in the Open Singles Bowls Championship of the Colony will be decided this afternoon on the Kowloon B.C.C. green.

F. J. Jones v. M. N. Rakusen
U. M. Omar v. M. R. Abbas

Both matches are due to start at 4.15 p.m. This is a wise step as the light gets bad so early these days, and it is unfair for the players to have to rush in the end.

Jones and Rakusen are club-mates, both playing for the Civil Service. Jones had a score in his quarter-final match against W. J. Howard and was on the verge of being beaten, but Rakusen had a fairly comfortable passage against T. A. Madar. This match should produce a fairly even tussle.

Omar, the defending champion, will be opposed by a player who has never got so far before. The champion is playing at the top of his form at the moment and most judges of the game think he will win. But whether the match will be a good one to watch depends on how Abbas acquits himself.

JOSS WINS YACHT RACE

Yesterday's yachting over nine miles (started 2.50) resulted:

Joss	16.56.33 (G. E. Neve)	1
La Linda	16.40.10 (N. H. Browne)	2
Joan	16.40.22 (H. Lawler)	3
Arcton	16.43.34 (C. C. Blake)	4
Gull	16.44.43 (A. O. G. Mills)	5
Alisa	16.52.11 (W. A. Ingram)	6

Engineers Show Good Form Very Early

R.E. 1 H.K. Club 1

On the Club ground last Tuesday after a fast and strenuously contested game, Club and the Royal Engineers shared the honours. This result was quite satisfactory though the home side were rather lucky.

The Sappers, showing fine team work, settled down to their task immediately and with Denyer, Hornburg and Shaw playing well together, the Club's defence had a tremendous task to keep them out. Exchanges were fairly even and the interval arrived with a blank score sheet.

The Sappers increased the pressure on resumption and after five minutes, Shaw completely outwitted Taylor and Thompson and, when Benwell advanced to meet him, the inside-left found the net with a beautiful cross drive.

After this reverse, Club retaliated and some fine movements were seen between S. A. Fowler and T. Whitely, but owing to either E. Fowler or Smith being in an offside position they were unable to press home the advantage on reaching the circle.

CLUB EQUALISE
Two minutes before the end, however, S. A. Fowler broke through to

NOW THAT THE WEATHER has become cooler, hockey has come into its own again in the Colony. Any enthusiast who finds himself in King's Park during a week-end these days will confirm my statement.

The Hongkong Hockey Association is to run a League, but due to the evacuation of most of our ladies, no league fixtures will be played by the ladies this season. Nevertheless keen interest is being taken by most clubs in this great amateur game.

Hockey is one of the very few remaining wholly amateur games. Amateurs, in its best sense, is by no means merely a matter of non-payment of the players; it is something much more than that. It is the spirit of friendliness—something akin to the "family party" spirit—which pervades every aspect and manifestation of a game.

In order to preserve this spirit, it is quite essential that a game be intended, run and governed solely by the players of that game; and that it should avoid the introduction of what I may call the spectator element. Once the spectator is introduced, he is encouraged to come and having paid to see the game, develops his "rights" in return for his money. One need not look far in order to find other games around which, although the players are, or are supposed to be, of prestige, news-value and press-interest, the spirit of real amateurism is discouraged, and the game is far from the spirit of real amateurism. We do not want to risk introducing this into hockey.

THE SPECTATOR

At present, hockey keeps the spectator in his proper place; it

Khalsa Defeat Y.M.C.A. In Fast Game By 3-2

IN A FAST GAME at King's Park last Saturday, Khalsa Hockey Club defeated a strong "Y" combination by 3-2.

Pyrar Singh, playing at centre forward for the visitors, scored the first goal and G. Singh added the second before the interval. Kariminder Singh made victory certain for his side when, in the second half, he found the net with the best goal of the match.

Credit for these goals, however, must be shared by the entire forward line, which displayed cleverness and combination, particularly the right wing.

M. H. Hassan, though slow at

neither invites nor repels him. The game is played for its own sake and all the most important club fixtures and others are played with complete indifference as to whether there are ten spectators or 500. The spectators do not matter. The game is supremely and healthily indifferent to them.

This, I submit, is the real spirit of amateurism. The game, but not the "entertainment," is the thing.

One of the greatest joys of hockey is that one can stroll onto any ground anywhere, and watch any game one chooses. There is no boost or advertisement; therefore, nobody goes except those who are genuinely interested in the game. One is asked no questions and charged no gate-money; one has no feeling of watching a spectacle which has been staged for one's entertainment or over which one has any "rights."

Rather, one has a feeling that one is, for the time being, a guest at someone's party—as indeed one is—and that, therefore, one must behave with the courtesy and manners of a guest, accepting freely what is freely set before one and claiming no rights of over-free criticism.

We are having League games this season; the number of spectators will probably increase, but let us play this game of ours for the game's sake.

times, was the best of the Indian halves. Mohinder Singh, at left half, worked very hard but spoiled a good afternoon's display with his wild clearances. He must bear in mind that the duty of a half-back is to feed his forwards and not to hit the ball at random.

Old Radio Players

The two backs, Man Singh and Grevail could not settle down to any combination, and though the latter was good at tackling, the former was too conspicuous with his robust methods. Makhan Singh gave a fair account of himself in goal and has the makings of a good keeper.

Nearly 90 per cent. of the Khalsa team are ex-Radio players and all are experienced men. They should give a good account of themselves in the coming League.

Y.M.C.A. reduced the arrears in the first half through Ure, who beat Makhan Singh with a grand reverse stick shot, and in the latter period through D. Smith from a short corner hit.

Need For Sharpshooter

In the closing stages of the game, the "Y" attack combined well and their stickwork was much better, but the need for a sharpshooter remains. The wing halves, Kempton and Waldron, played very well indeed, the former in particular with his grand marking and feeding. Jordan and his partner at back had lapses. Yourief was badly missed at left back.

Benwell, playing his second game in goal during the same afternoon, gave a fine display with the exception of one error—he left his charge too soon in trying to tackle the Khalsa right-winger, and the third Khalsa goal resulted.

On the whole it was a very even game which the "Y" were unlucky to lose.

NAVY "A" DEFEAT CLUB "A"

Carter's Two Good Tries

(By "Fly-half")

On the Club ground yesterday evening, Navy "A" made Navy's first appearance for this season against a Club team and, by a well-balanced display, won by 11 points (two tries and a goal) to three points (a try).

The Naval team included last year's recognised half combination of Clark and Carter. The former is to leave us soon and I am sure with him will go the good wishes of all local rugby enthusiasts, players and spectators alike.

A player who made his first appearance in local games outside of trial games was McGill, of Shanghai Interport fame.

The Club team also included some last XV players of this and yesterday in Stewart, Castleton, Kennedy, Needham, Thompson and Stout, probably with a view to testing these players as potential last XV selections and yet not altogether that as Stout played full-time as a wing, three quarter and Needham the first half, after which he and Dalziel changed places.

Carter Forceful

Carter played a forceful game at stand-off half for the Navy and scored two good tries. McGill was a strong runner on the right wing. He received good support from Honeywell of Navy soccer fame. Clough, at full back, was steady and kicked to touch whenever in position, a lesson Thompson, Club's back, must learn if he wishes to avoid endangering his line. The Navy forwards played well as a pack. Stewart for Club, except for occasional spurts, was lackadaisical and took things far too easily. Cleme gave a good service from the base of the scrum with one fault of lobbing a little. This gave Carter an opportunity for which he had been on the look-out from the "kick-off" that of interception. He cut in fast between Cleme and Morgan in the second half to gather the former's

pass and carry on with a grand swerve past Thompson to score Navy's third try. Kennedy and Gairdner were Club's best forwards.

The Scoring

After twenty-five to twenty-five play, Navy forwards carried the play to near the Club line where they were checked. The ball went to Carter who brushed past a couple of Club players to score an unconverted try.

Some time later, McGill, who had just previously been tackled head-on by Thompson when he had only the full-back to beat, outplayed the Club defence to score mid-way out. The kick failed. This concluded the scoring in the first half.

Navy went further ahead when Carter intercepted between the Club halves and went on to score near the upright, a converted try. Then Stewart for the Club picked up near the centre in a Club three movement which had been checked, and with the Navy three level with him, he shot forward to outrun Clough and score under the bar. He failed to convert. From now onwards Club strove hard to reduce the Navy lead further but the final whistle blew with the Club on the offensive without showing any ability to score.

Navy's scorers: Goals, Wilson, Paul, Richard, Beattie, Longmuir, Jones, Taylor, Thompson; P. B. Wilson, P. H. Stewart, C. F. Needham, E. W. Stout, P. C. Morgan, P. D. Cleme, R. E. Headman, W. Stoker, R. G. Castleton, M. G. Gairdner, A. M. Kennedy, A. G. Dalziel, Rogers.

Club Rugger Teams

The following will represent Club first and "A" teams in friendly Rugby matches against Royal Navy on the Club ground on Saturday:

1st XV (4.30 p.m.)—F. M. Thompson; D. H. Stewart, G. G.

NEWSY NOTELETS

I AM glad the H.K.H.A. have decided to run a tournament. Most clubs share the opinion that they are entitled to something for an affiliation fee of \$5 a year. Certificates for the tournament are Central British Association, Khalsa Hockey Club, H.K. Police, Club de Re-creio, Royal Corps of Signals, Engineers and Nomads. I should like to see the Y.M.C.A. and the H.K. Hockey Club in the tournament as well. It is true that most of the Club players are from the C.B.A. and elsewhere, but I am certain that they could pick a decent team with at least 30 players to choose from. Although the Army has a Large and Small Units Tournament, a few entries from some of the different companies and units would certainly make the Association Tournament more interesting. The Royal Engineers so far have been the only staunch supporters.

THE Police "All Indian" team has been seen in action twice and, I must say, wants a great deal of strengthening should they wish to go far in the tournament. I hope the European members, Parker, Blackburn, Gough, Howlett, Brown, Wall, Jackson and Rothwell have not forsaken the game.

INFORMATION has reached me that useful work is being done by L/Cpl. Dove of the Royal Corps of Signals. He has held quite a few classes of umpiring for Service members who are anxious to pass their Umpire's test. I wish him success and hope that he keeps it up.

V. M. Benwell, our Interport goal-keeper, is certainly taking a great interest in the game. Apart from being a member of the Association Council, he is Captain of the Club and Y.M.C.A. teams. In all, he runs five teams a week, three from the "Y" and two from the Club. This takes some doing. Well done, Benny.

CLUB de Re-creio, I hear, are fielding some young recruits in their last XI this year. The Portuguese have always been in need of new blood, especially in attack, and I am sure these youngsters will give a good account of themselves. Most of the older members, I notice, are interested in softball.

WITH the evacuation of our ladies, the H.K.H.A. are not running a League this winter. I understand there are quite a few teams left in the Colony, but I have not had the opportunity to comment on their strength as yet. However, the C.B.A. ladies meet St. Andrew's at King's Park this afternoon. I shall be there to see teams in action.

FOOTBALL PLAYERS SUSPENDED

Fraser, Royal Scots, was yesterday suspended indefinitely by the Emergency Committee of the Football Association, for ungentlemanly conduct towards the referee, Mr. Emmons, after the second division league match against Kit Chee on October 6 at Soekunpoo.

Chan Kwong-ye, Police, was suspended for a month for violent conduct and persistent foul play against St. Joseph's, in a first division match on Sunday.

At a meeting of the Management Committee, the application of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation for affiliation was favourably recommended to the Council. This new Club intends to play friendly matches during the season, and their players will be eligible for representative teams.

The Management Committee accepted the proposal that the annual Referees and Press match be the curtain-raiser to the Poppy Day match on November 11 on the Club ground. The match will begin at 2.30 p.m. and will be followed by Combined Services versus the Rest in aid of Earl Haig's Poppy Day Fund.

The following were selected last night to represent the Rest—Cheong Wing-chee (Sing Tao); Blackburn (Police); Lee Kin-sang (Sing Tao); Pops (Police); Williamson (Kowloon); Hau King-sing (Eastern); Cheung Yung-san (Eastern); Chung King-chung (Sing Tao); (Capt.), Chan Tak-tai (South China); Lee Wai-tong (South China); Hau Ching-to (Eastern); Reserves—D. Leonard (St. Joseph's); Lai Shiu-ying (Sing Tao); Tsang Chun-wan (South China); F. Fowler (Club); Soong Ling-sing (Sing Tao); Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern); Howlett (Police); R. M. Omar was appointed manager.

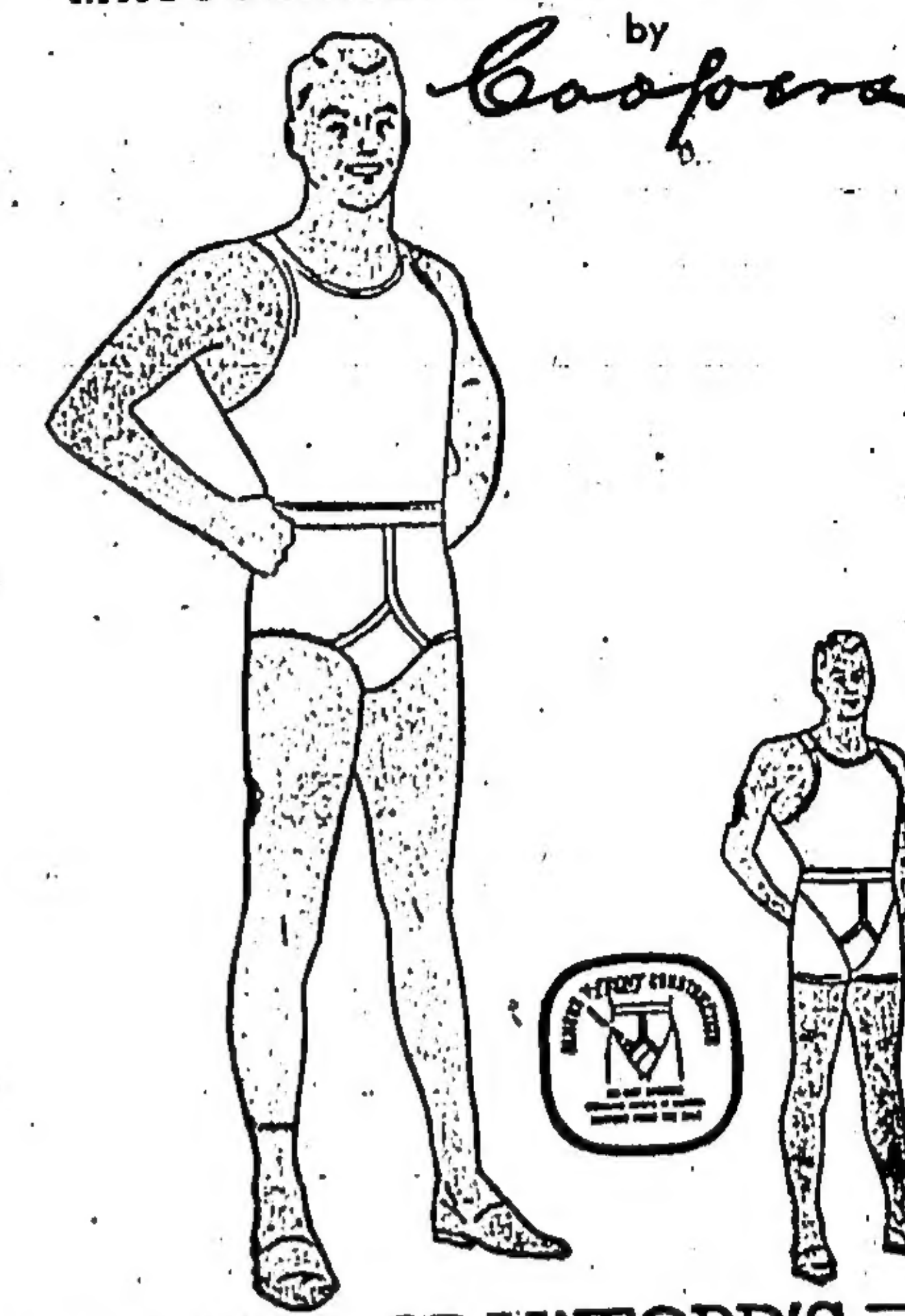
Aitkenhead, D. G. Day and D. J. Bosanquet; J. C. Charley and J. Thomson; I. McLean, J. B. Dunnett, R. E. Headman; R. G. Gairdner, C. F. Needham; A. M. Kennedy, E. W. R. Hackett and A. J. C. Taylor (Capt.).

"A" XV (3.15 p.m.)—H. F. Hop-

kins; H. Van Leeuwen, D. Hynes, M. G. Carruthers, T. Jones, T. O. Morgan and F. J. D. Cleme; E. W. Stout, R. G. Castleton, R. S. Lee; C. M. Stark, G. G. Davies; Dr. Thomas, G. B. God-

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"I merely marvel at your powers of recovery."

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NANCY



DAKAR SEQUEL

Gibraltar Attack Questions

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"We shall know how to deal with any further attacks by forces of the Vichy Government," declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons to-day.

He made this reply when asked whether consideration would be given to reprisals against the French forces supporting the Vichy Government, who had been "carrying on a systematic bombardment of Gibraltar recently."

Asked whether he would admit that there had been bombardment of Gibraltar by French forces, Mr. Butler said: "No. It would not pay to add anything to what I have said or infer anything from it. There was a certain incident and I have given a certain answer."

Black-Out Exercises

End of This Month

New black-out exercises are to be held in Hongkong at the end of this month, according to a notification issued by the Director of Air Raid Precautions.

The exercises will take place on the nights of October 29/30 and 30/31. The black-out will automatically commence at sunset on October 29 and will remain in force until sunrise on the morning of the 31st.

The Government Black-out Order of 1940 will be strictly enforced. During the exercises all road alarm signals will be sounded during which time all road traffic must cease and all lights must be extinguished and remain thus until the "Raiders Passed" signal is given.

Prince With Free French Forces

Von Starhemberg

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Prince von Starhemberg, former Austrian Vice-Chancellor, is now a lieutenant in the Free French Air

BATAVIA TALKS

No Japan-D.E.I. Oil Agreement

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—"No agreement has been reached and negotiations are still proceeding," declared Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons to-day, when questioned on the subject of Batavian oil supplies for Japan.

Mr. Butler added that both the British and United States Governments were being kept fully informed regarding the progress of negotiations. Decision about the general character of any arrangement for the future rested with the Government of the Netherlands East Indies.

Replying to further questions, Mr. Butler said that there was complete co-operation between the governments concerned.

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This was revealed by Capt. H. H. Bullock, Under-Secretary for Air, when questioned on the subject in the House of Commons to-day.

U.S. Is Prepared To Defend Philippines

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (UP).—The Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, to-day declared that the United States navy is prepared to defend any territory under the American flag.

He expressed his belief that the United States had a "moral obligation" to help South America to re-arm. He revealed that the navy had already shipped guns, equipment and supplies to several nations, but so far no ships had been sent to any of the South American countries.

Colonel Knox said: "We can defend anything and we are not indifferent to the security of land anywhere under the American flag."

The statement came in reply to questions concerning the navy's intentions of defending the Philippines and other outlying Pacific possessions including Guam, Wake and Midway Islands. "While these territories fly the American flag, the navy is ready to defend them," the Colonel concluded.

Grave Danger

BALTIMORE, Oct. 23 (UP).—The Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sum-

Japanese Legation In Australia?

TOKYO, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—A Japanese Legation is to be established in Australia subject to the approval of the Privy Council, says a Japanese report.

The special committee of the Privy Council this morning began deliberations on establishing a South Seas Affairs Bureau in the Foreign Office and the opening of a "Legation" in Australia.

Premier Visits Scotland

East Coast Defences

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister, accompanied by Mrs. Churchill, paid a surprise visit on Tuesday to East Scotland for the purpose of inspecting coast line defences.

Accompanied by a number of British and Polish army officers, Mr. Churchill made an extensive tour on foot, by car and special train, and later he expressed satisfaction with all the preparations that he saw.

Travelling Costs At Home Increased

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The worker and the season ticket holder escape the six per cent increase on existing railway fares which comes into force on December 1, announced Col. Moore Brabazon, Minister of Transport, in the House of Commons to-day.

There will be no increase on the London passenger transport system except for the coach service. The burden of higher charges will fall on the casual traveller and on the rates. The charges were increased ten per cent in January last.

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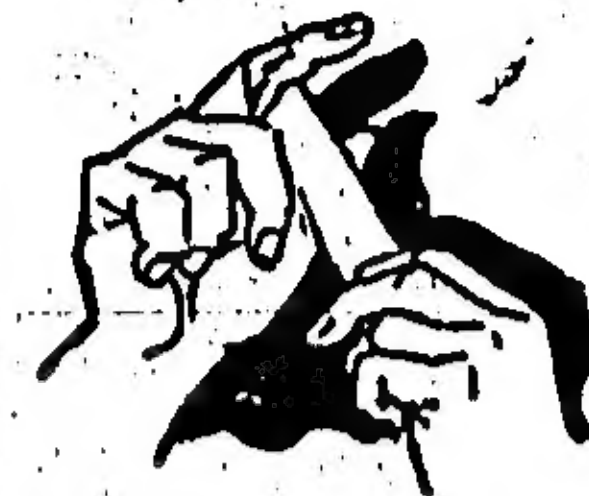
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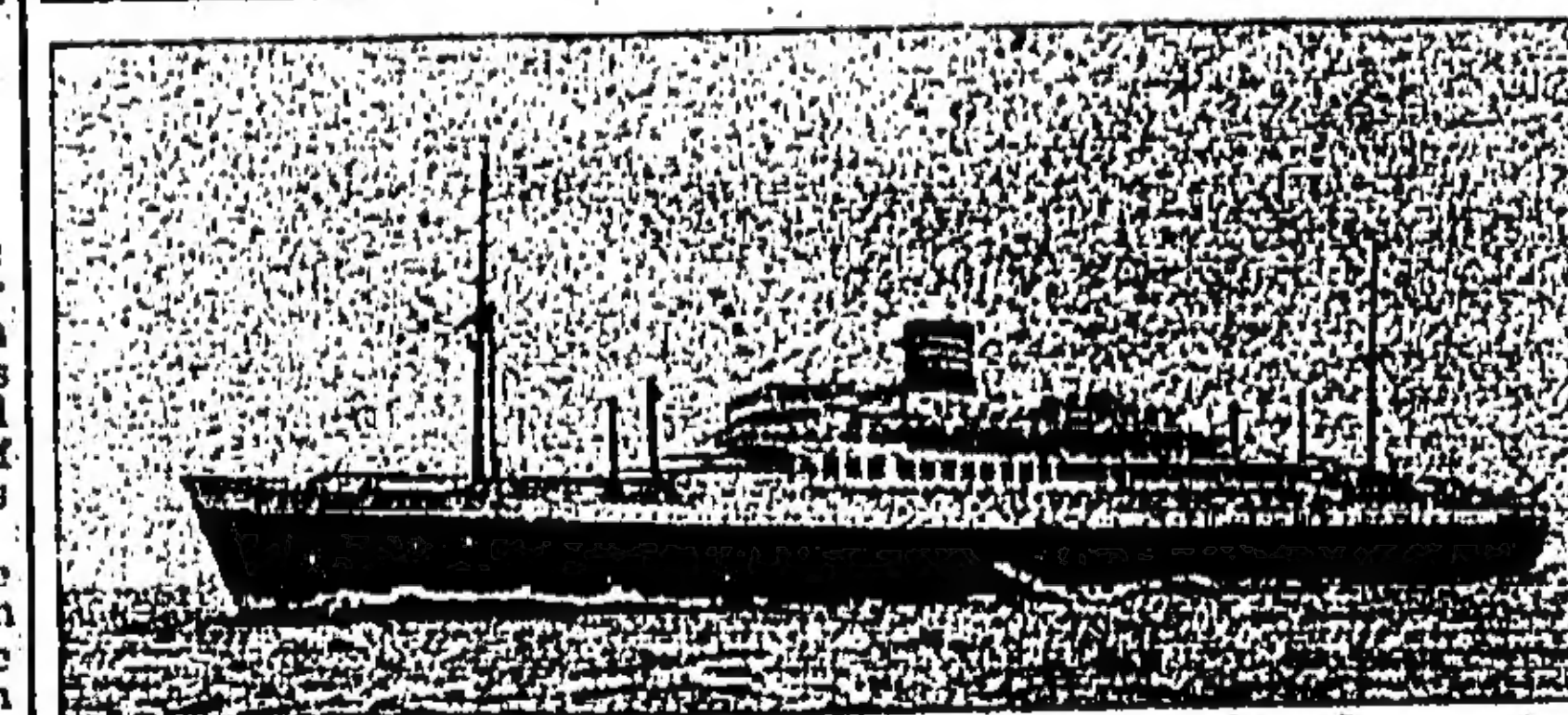
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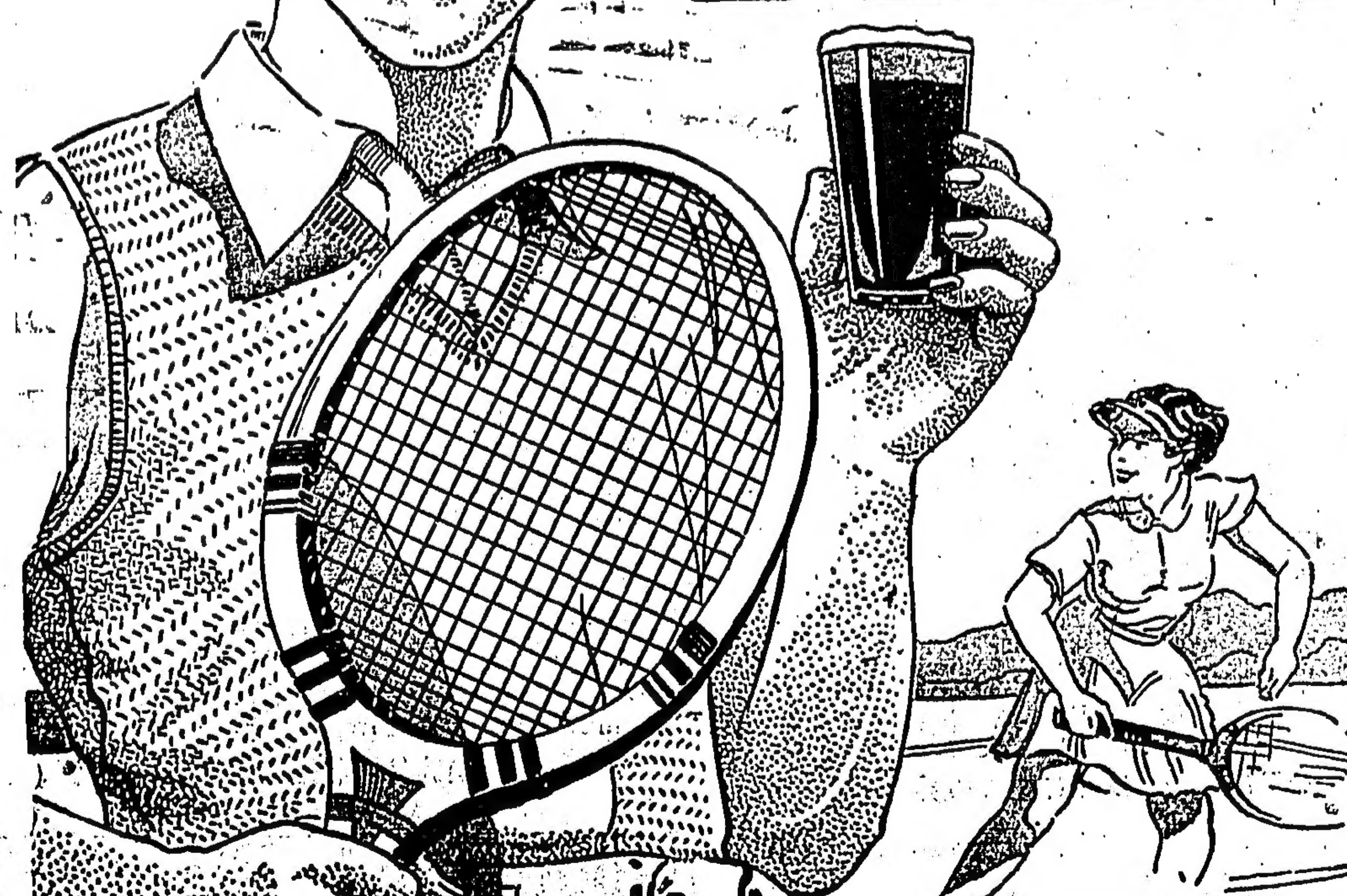
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NEW U.S. CONSUL IN SHANGHAI

CHUNGKING, Oct. 24 (Central News).—Mr. Frank Pruit Lockhart, new U.S. Consul-General in Shanghai, arrived in Shanghai aboard the President Coolidge yesterday morning.

Mr. Lockhart is succeeding Mr. Clarence Edward Guiss who has been transferred as U.S. Minister to Australia. He was formerly U.S. Consul-General in Tientsin and Counselor of the U.S. Embassy in Peking. He will assume office within this week.

Mr. Paul Boncour, newly appointed Counselor to the French Embassy in China, and M. Roland de Margerie, new French Consul-General in Shanghai, arrived there by the same President liner yesterday.

Profiteers In Greece

ATHENS, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Twenty out of 40 persons arrested in Athens for hoarding sugar and coffee for profiteering have been sentenced to deportation to one of the Aegean Islands for a year. Sentence is still to be passed on the 20 remaining prisoners.

Those arrested include the proprietor of one of the largest hotels here, several bankers and three well-known Greek journalists.

Aden's New C-in-C.

LONDON, Oct. 23 (British Wireless).—The King has been pleased to accept the resignation of Lieutenant Colonel Sir Bernard Reille, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Aden, and has approved the appointment, as his successor, of Mr. Hithorn Hall, now British Resident in Zanzibar.

Sir Bernard, who is 58, had many years' experience in Aden when it was administered from India and was appointed the first Governor when the colony was transferred to the Colonial Office in 1937.

Exchange At A Glance

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T.T. Japan	105
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	22 3/4
T.T. Manila	45 1/2
T.T. Batavia	42 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	140 3/4
T.T. Saigon	90
T.T. France	Nom.
T.T. Switzerland	87
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/4
BUYING	
4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	23 1/4
4 m/s France	Nom.
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.02 3/4

65 JAPANESE TO LEAVE BOMBAY

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Sixty-five Japanese passengers are expected to leave Bombay shortly in a Japanese ship, according to the Delhi wireless.

Another Japanese ship is sailing from Bombay later with more Japanese including, it is expected, almost all Japanese women and children in Bombay.

Evacuation Advisory Committee Meeting

It is announced that a public meeting of the Evacuation Advisory Committee will be held on Saturday, October 26, at 9 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Colonial Secretariat.

Only those women who have applied to the Committee for hearing in person and have been requested to attend the meeting will be heard.

NO NEED FOR BRITONS TO LEAVE SAYS CHUNGKING

CHUNGKING, Oct. 21 (Central News).—In view of the cordial relations now existing between China and Britain there is no necessity for British subjects to evacuate Free China, declared a spokesman of the British Embassy in Chungking.

The spokesman added that while no instructions had been issued for the evacuation of British subjects in Japan and the Japanese-controlled areas in China, the Government would advise those who wish to leave or who have no special reasons to remain, to evacuate as soon as possible.

ORIENTAL THEATRE

LAST 4 TIMES TO-DAY

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LETTERS

To the Editor, The "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir, We shall be very glad if you can make use of this letter, concerning the activities of Toc H both here and at home.

A Non-Stop Variety Entertainment entitled "Vaudefun" is being organised in aid of Toc H at work with the Forces in Britain. It is to take place on Thursday, November 7, at 9.15 p.m. and will be held in the West Lounge Theatre, Y.M.C.A., Kowloon. David Kosslek is producing, and has got together a strong cast of local amateurs.

There is every indication that an excellent show will be the result.

The latest "Toc H Journal" to reach us—together with correspondence from Home Headquarters—gives news of great activity on the Home Front. In the Orkneys, in the Midlands, at Southampton and countless other places, Toc H is seizing the opportunity for providing the homely comforts and atmosphere which men so badly need. This applies not only to the Services but also to the great centres of industrial output where workers, we well know, are sparing no efforts towards our success. To brighten their leisure moments and, more important, to refresh them in spirit just at a time when they are making such a vital contribution to our great cause—this is a task as urgent as the production of armaments itself.

As the undertakings of Toc H increase, so does its need of financial help, and Brigadier Sir Colin Jardine's appeal for Toc H on the B.B.C. has met with a grand response from the public at home.

Many parts of the Empire have also sent gifts, and one of £250 from Shanghai has just been acknowledged. The fine service being done by Toc H is everywhere recognised; it is worthy of all the support we can give it.

G. S. Coxhead,
Hon. Secretary Toc H,
Kowloon Circle.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday says: The market continues steady with sellers holding for slightly higher rates.

Buyers	
Doughlakes	\$125
Docks (old)	\$18.75
Providents	\$4.55
Hotels	\$3.20
Lands	\$30.50
Realities	\$3.30
Electric (new)	\$36.10
Telephones (old)	\$23.50
Telephone (new)	\$9.55
Cements	\$16
Dairy Farms	\$17
Watsons	\$8.90
Sellers	
H.K. Fire Ins.	\$150
Hotels	\$3.40
Lands	\$31.25
Cements	\$16.50
Vibro Piling	\$8
Sales	
Providents	\$4.55/60
Electric (old)	\$36.75
Electric (new)	\$36
Watsons	\$8

LATE NEWS

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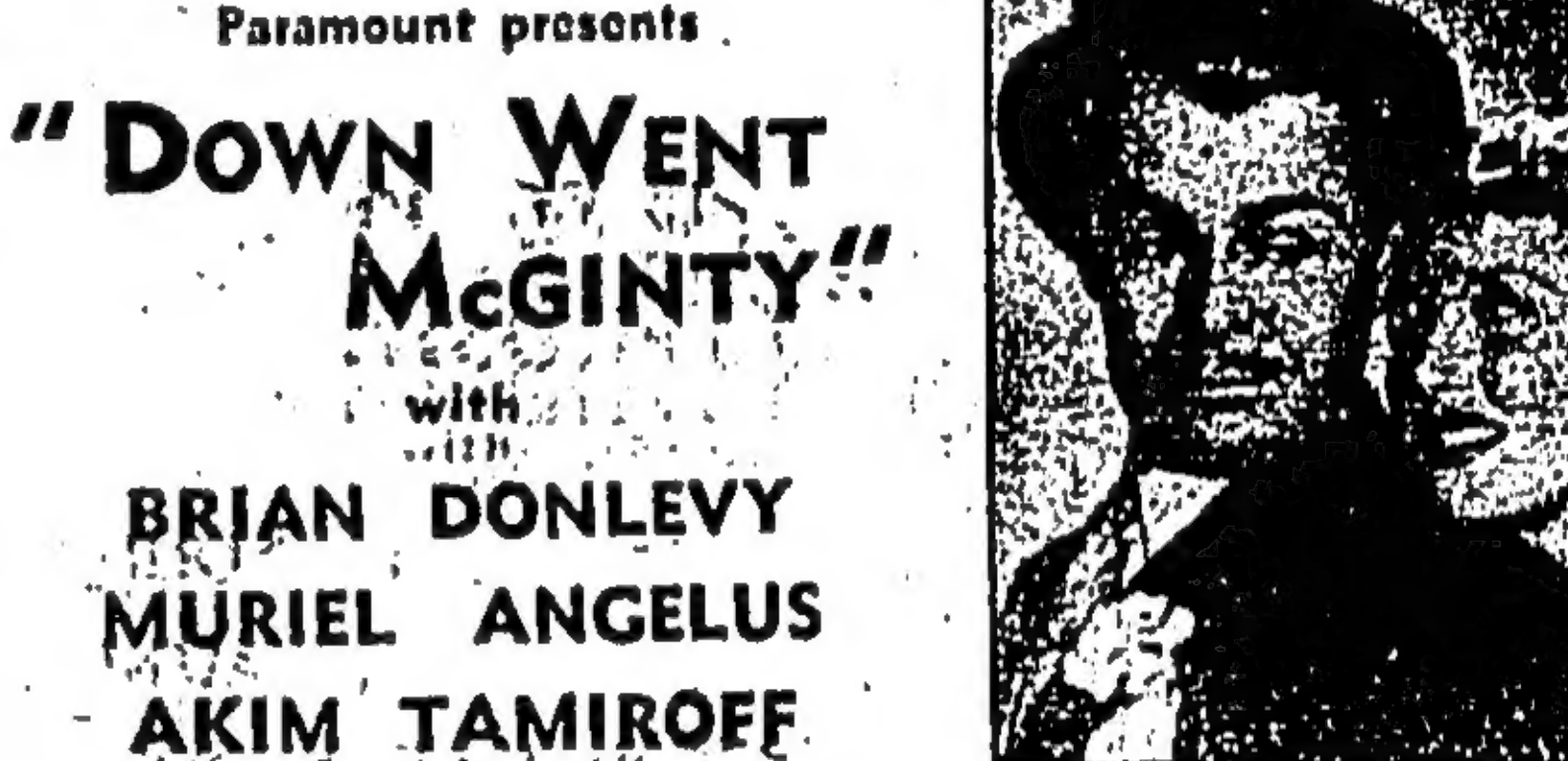
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Good Trade Figures To Help Us Win The War

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Despite intensification of enemy activity, the export of United Kingdom goods was fully maintained in September.

This was the most notable feature of the trade returns issued to-day.

The average value of exports per working day in September actually exceeded the corresponding figure for August. The total exports of United Kingdom goods in September amounted to £31,100,000, which substantially exceeded the total of £23,000,000 in September, 1939, and was a year of record for the period.

British Export Council's efforts to find and develop alternative markets in view of the prevailing European conditions.

During the six months ended August 31 this year, the United Kingdom's exports to countries outside Europe and the Mediterranean had been above the corresponding period of last year.

The aggregate increase for the period August 1 to September 30, 1940, of £8,100,000 or about 35 per cent.

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